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SECRETARY MELLON FIGHTS BACK FOR TAX BILL

Senate Demands Proof of Loan by Oil Man to Fall

Former Cabinet Face Gruelling Examination By Senate Body

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WASHINGTON, Jan. 25.—Senate Public Lands Committee investigating Teapot Dome will demand absolute proof of the truth of the story told by E. L. Doheny, millionaire oil man of a $100,000 loan to Albert B. Fall, former secretary of the interior.

Both Fall and Doheny must submit conclusive evidence to the committee that their testimony is accurate, committee members said today as the committee prepared to continue delving into the amazing stories of loans to the man who controlled the leasing of vast national wealth in the form of oil in the naval oil reserves of the West.

Fall, who arrived in Washington about 11 o'clock last night from New Orleans, to undergo an ordeal of cross examination never before faced by an American Cabinet officer or former Cabinet member, will take the witness stand Monday, according to present plans.

Colonel J. W. Zevely, Washington representative of Harry F. Sinclair, rival of Doheny and lessee of Teapot Dome, will be quizzed this afternoon. The committee wants to know what Zevely did with the $80,000 worth of Sinclair Oil Company stock and $25,000 worth of Liberty bonds given to him out of the Sinclair treasury.

Testimony has been that Zevely got this to buy a house on Long Island.

Zevely accompanied Fall to Washington from New Orleans and Fall, after trying in vain to elude newspapermen waiting for him, went to Zevely's house for the night.

Slipping into the capital shortly before midnight, Fall was examined by his physician, Dr. John Wherton.

After the examination, Dr. Wherton said

"Mr. Fall is suffering from a malady that any moment may take his life. He is a very sick man. I hope and feel sure that he will insist on appearing before the Senate Public Lands Committee on Monday to answer any charges against him."

Fall hobbled into Zevely's house on a cane. His face was shrunken and hollow.

"Boys, I'm a very sick man and I have nothing to say," he told newspaper men as he went in.

"Would you wish to answer intimation that you received an additional $100,000 in connection with the leases," he was asked.

"I don't know anything about that," Fall said.

"Some intimations seem to have been given that another $100,000 was loaned you"

"Boys I can't say anything now."

The committee is not satisfied with the testimony of E. L. Doheny, who yesterday said he had loaned $100,000 to Fall on a personal note security in November, 1921.

None of the members of the committee would indicate whether they intended to accept or reject Doheny's proposal that President Coolidge appoint three experts to determine whether his leases on naval oil Reserves Nos. 1 and 2 in California were lawfully and honestly negotiated.

They want to hear Zevely and Fall first

With tears in his eyes at the memory of Fall's "hard luck," Doheny told the committee the whole transaction was merely a piece of friendship." He described himself as an "old prospector, with a big heart" who openheartedly told his friend Fall that whenever he needed money, "come to me."

He regarded it about as other men would regard a $5 or $10 loan, he said.

A little later Doheny said he confidently expected to make $100,000,000 out of one of the California naval oil reserve leases granted him by Fall.

Felix D. Robertson of Dallas, candidate for Governor of Texas was a visitor to Mexia last Thursday evening.

Herring Case Dismissed Upon Motion Presented Before Judge A. M. Blackmon In The 77th District Court Of County

The case of the State of Texas against Guy Herring, charged with the theft of $60,400.00 from the Farmers State Bank of this city in February, 1922, was called for trial before Judge A. M. Blackmon in the 77th District Court of Limestone County, Thursday, and when the case was called, a motion was made in open court by the attorneys for the State for a continuance of the case for the reason that Mr. Lud J. Williams who is employed by the State Banking Department to prosecute the Defendant, would be engaged in the trial of a murder case in San Angelo, Texas, set for Monday, January 28th. Mr. Williams stated that this case had been set for months, and that it would be impossible for him to obtain a continuance of it. The District Attorney, Mr. James Kimball, also requested that the case be continued for the reason that C. H. Machen was one of the principal witnesses for the State in case, and was, at the time, engaged in the trial of a murder case in Freestone County at Fairfield, and was unable to be present during the trial of the case. Mr. Machen was also an attorney assisting in the prosecution.

The defendant announced ready for trial and urged upon the Court that he be given a hearing, inasmuch as the Farmers State Bank had in its possession more than $40,000.00 which his attorneys stated belonged to the defendant, and further urged that under the laws and contsitution of the State he was entitled to a speedy trial.

The Court, after hearing the motions for the State and the Defendant, was of the opinion that the defendant was entitled to a trial.

Thereupon, the attorneys for the State, composed of Lud J. Williams of Waco, Kennedy & Lyles of Groesbeck, and District Attorney James Kimball, consulted with reference to the matter, after which the District Attorney moved to dismiss the indictment rather than to be forced into a trial of the case in the absence of Mr. C. H. Machen. Mr. Williams, representing the State Banking Department, joined in this request. He explained that at the time of the presenting of the information on which the indictment was drawn that it was claimed that the money alleged to have been stolen consisted of five, ten and twenty dollar bills whereas later information, which he claimed the State had, showed that the money was of different denominations than those mentioned in the indictment, and that there would be a fatal variance between the proof and the allegations of the indictemnt. Judge Kimball did not think this objection material, he is credited with having said. Mr. Williams stated that following dismissal, the matter would be a subject for the investigation of the grand jury at the next term of court.

The Court, after hearing said motion, dismissed the case.

The defendant is represented by Judge J. E. Bradley and W. T. Jackson of Groesbeck, and attorneys Stubbs, Walters and Bolton, Mexia and Dick Mays of Corsicana.

As was explained in press reports when this shortage was announced about a year ago, the Farmer's State Bank suffered no financial loss, as the Farmers State Bank and all State banks are required to carry adequate insurance protection. The Mexia financial institution carried a blanket policy in the Aetna Insurance Company, which company promptly paid the Farmers Sate Bank as soon as the shortage was discovered.

LIEUT. GOV. T. W. DAVIDSON

Candidate for Governor of Texas who announced his entrance into the political campaign at his home town, Marshall, Thursday before thousands of his neighbors and friends. His campaign Manager is Hon. Lee Pierson, a prominent attorney of Mexia.

MARLAND OIL COMPANY DEAL WITH MORGAN IS ANNOUNCED

NEW YORK, Jan. 25.—President Marland of the Marland Oil Company announced the sale of three hundred thousand shares of stock to J. P. Morgan and company. Also sold option for 350,000 additional shares. "Substantial cash consideration" was given for the latter.

ALVIN BANKER FACES TRIAL ON FORGERY CHARGES

HOUSTON, Texas, Jan. 25.—Trial of J. P. Davis, former president of the Farmers State Bank of Alvin on a charge of forgery was expected to be concluded in District Court here today.

A motion of the defense to quash four of the five charges against the banker was upheld by the court and trial began late yesterday on the remaining charge.

The fifth charge concerns the using of the name of "Claude Rayborn" as security for a $4,000 note alleged to have been given by Davis. State investigators have not been able to locate Rayborn. The bank closed its doors last spring.

Faithful Dogs Saved A Family Then Perished

WACO, Texas, Jan. 24.—The barking of two pet dogs saved Mrs. Lud Williams, her nephew, Lud Lincoln and the latter's mother, from perishing in the flames of Mrs. Williams burning home here today.

Lud Lincoln carried his mother to safety down a rope improvised of bed sheets tied together. They were unable to save the dogs, which perished in the fire.

CONGRESS TODAY

Senate:

Senate not in session.

Teapot Dome inquiry continues.

House:

Considers Interior Department appropriation bill.

Muscle Shoals hearing continues.

Tax legislation in Ways and Means Committee considered.

MOBILE, Ala.—T. H. Blalack, ex-convict values his services at $1,000 daily. He sued for $14,000 for labor he performed in prison fourteen days after his sentence had expired.

Petrograd Becomes Leninograd Honoring Leader of Bolshevist

MOSCOW, Jan. 25.—The Soviet assembly voted to change the name of Petrograd to Leninograd, in honor of their dead leader. Roads are blocked by thousands of peasants coming to pay him homage. It was necessary to postpone the funeral from Saturday to Sunday.

OLYMPICS FACE POSSIBILITY OF FAILURE TO OPEN

CHAMONIX, France, Jan. 25.—With the skating rink and snow sleds almost wrecked by thaws, opening of the Olympic games here tomorrow seems dubious.

The skating rink is soft and sloppy and slides for the bob-sled and ski contests have melted down almost to mud. Athletes of the nineteen nations entered in the winter sports have had practically no preparatory work and are willing to accept a postponement for better weather.

Officials of the French Olympic committee have had carloads of snow hauled down from the mountains to cover up the bare spots in the slide and while it has been made fairly good for practice, it hardly can be used for real competition.

In trials yesterday, the Norweigan ski jumpers made some jumps of more than 120 feet after taking off a jumping pitch with only a run of 100 feet.

Lid Clamped Down On Girls Home At So. Methodist Uni.

DALLAS, Jan. 25.—The lid has been clamped down on the Woman's Building at Southern Methodist University here by Mrs. S. J. Hay, dean of women.

To speed departing swains promptly at eleven p. m. and to awaken drowsey co-eds at seven in the morning Mrs. Hay has had eight additional electric bells installed in the dormitory.

"I have had the bells put there so that they can be heard from every part of the building," she said. "No excuses of 'I didn't hear the bell' will go."

Screens have been screwed in every window of the building too. They are to keep candy and fruit from being passed to the girls after the forbidden hour of eleven p. m.

"I'd beter not find any of these screens out", Mrs. Hay has warned.

Fell 20 Feet But Not Hurt

HALLETTSVILLE, Jan. 25.—When his train came to a sudden stop early one morning a few weeks ago, S. O. Johnson, brakeman on the San Antonio and Aransas Pass railway went to investigate.

Swinging from his caboose he stepped off into empty space. The train had stopped with the caboose over the Lavaca river. He fell more than a score of feet.

His injuries were not serious.

OPERATION IN CADDO PARISH TO BE TESTED

SHREVEPORT, La., Jan. 25.—The Louisiana Petroleum Company has set six-inch casing and will test within a few days in its Brewer No. 1, Caddo Parish, near Mira. It is down about 2,860 feet. It is a short distance from the Hiller well, which opened a new pool in North Caddo when brought in last year by the La-Tex Community Oil Company.

OIL COMPANY BUYS TRACT FOR $40,000

WICHITA FALLS, Texas, Jan. 25.—The R. M. F. Oil Company Thursday purchased a forty-acre tract of land from John Young in Archer County for a reported consideration of $40,000. The tract is composed of the south twenty acres in lot 18 and the north twenty acres in lot 12, secton 27, L. F. Wilson lands.

MYSTERY SHIP HOVERS IN FOG. WITH LIQUOR

GALVESTON, Texas, Jan. 25.—Hovering in the fog a few miles off the shore here, a "mystery ship" reported to be haevily laden with contraband liquor, occupied the attention of customs authorites here today.

Presence of teh ship was reported to Customs Superintendent H. F. Brunkenhouser by the captain of a vessel which passed the schooner off the Velasco coast.

Rumors regarding the expected arrival of a "rum" ship off the coast have been in circulation here for the past week.

Taxes Explained By the Research Division U. of T.

AUSTIN, Texas, Jan. 25.—"Tax Rates and Taxable Values," a bulletin issued yearly by the Bureau of Extension and the Government Research Division of the University of Texas is now being prepared by members of the government department and the Bureau of Extension.

To obtain material for this bulletin, a questionnaire is being sent out to city officials in all parts of the state. Some of the items included in this questionnaire are: assessed valuation for city purposes of all taxable real property, amount of increase or decrease over previous year, assessed valuation of taxable personal property and rate of city tax.

Seniors Easily Recognized Here

HOUSTON, Jan. 25.—There's no mistaking seniors of Rice Institute these days. With the beginning of the seniors have come into their own and are setting the style for the rest of the school.

Shortly after the first classes of the new term had been held members of the June graduating class appeared in black derbies and canes. Some even have aspired to mustaches.

BASKET BALL GAMES

The Westminster College Basket Ball squad will play the Meridian College squad in the college indoor court, the first game to be played this afternoon and the second Saturday morning. The Meridian team has already arrived and the game will start promptly at 3:30.

The Meridian girls team will play the Westminster girls this afternoon also.

SQUIBBS

Fashion is forever changing. Even Father Time can't keep up with the strides she makes.

Mr. Polly Tickk will entertain Senator Highbrow in his home during her stay in our city.

What do the people want? No one has ever been able to answer that question satisfactorily. You may get some idea from "Mrs. and Mr. Polly Tickk."

Mr. Eve Edwards has a most beautiful and up-to-date line of millinery. Men, don't fail to see his hats before buying. Babies checked at the door.

Government Shares Gains But Not In Losses Of Business

WASHINGTON, Jan. 25.—Replying in sharp letter to Senator Couzens of Michigan, Secretary Mellon declared Couzens could theorize all he pleased, but the fact is indisputable that high surtaxes is driving capital out of business and into idleness. Mellon denied Couzens' charge that "confidential treasury records" were used by Mellon in discussing Couzen's income and security holdings. "All business involves risk", Mellon's reply stated. "If business loses the government shares not at all in the losses. If business is successful the government takes more than half the gain. What can long withstand these odds?" Mellon told Couzens that neither "you nor any other man, once he gains wealth, cares to take risks on such terms."

THE WORLD IN TABLOID

AUSTIN, Texas, Jan. 25.—The passage of a rule by the State Railroad Commission prohibiting passengers on trains in Texas from removing their shoes, was urged in a letter to the Commission. The writer declared he had recently suffered while on a train because fellow passengers removed their shoes.

DALLAS, Texas, Jan. 25.—A mandate to the sheriff of Dallas county was issued by the criminal appelate court in the case of Blaine Dyer, condemned to death for murder of J. C. Gibson.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 25.—A $600,000 string of pearls, once the property of the late Czarina of Russia, was purchased by Senator Gerry of Rhode Island, for his wife, it was learned. It is the most perfect string of black pearls in the world. It was obtained through a Russian nobleman, reputed slayer of Monk Rasputin, adviser of the late czar.

INDIANAPOLIS, Jan. 25.—The immediate repeal of syndicalism laws in force in a number of states is demanded in a resolution adopted unanimously by the United Mine Workers convention. It declares that such laws are used to intimidate the progressive element of the working class.

HOUSTON, Texas, Jan. 25.—One hundred and eight sealed ballot boxes containing returns of the Senatorial election between Earle B. Mayfield and George E. B. Peddy left here last night for Washington where they will be counted by a Senate committee investigating Mayfield's election to the Senate.

The boxes contained returns from 108 precincts in 16 in South Texas counties.

HOUSTON, Texas, Jan. 25.—The funeral services for Arthur Lipper, president of the Lipper Motor Company and former city secretary, will be held from his home here at 4 p. m. today.

Lipper died in his apartment at the Rice Hotel yesterday after an illness of four days. He was prominently connected with a number of Houston's large business enterprises.

THE WEATHER

East Texas.—Tonight fair and colder, frost. Saturday fair and not so cold in northwest.

West Texas.—Tonight fair and colder. Saturday fair, not so cold in north.

Bureau of Census report on three-quarters of cities of United States thus far compiled show an increase in local tax levy of from 110 to 120 percent in last decade.

THIRD GEORGIA WOMAN HANGS FOR KILLING ANOTHER

ATLANTA, Ga., Jan. 25.—Mrs. Ida Hughes faced death by hanging today for shooting her mother-in-law.

Mrs. Hughes was found guilty of first degree murder by a jury here, the verdict automatically carrying the death sentence.

She will be the third white woman to be executed in Georgia. Two others who were sentenced received pardons.

Mrs. Hughes shot and killed Mrs. M. O. Hughes, her aged mother-in-law while the latter accompanied by two policemen, was searching a trunk for her possession. The defense contended that a warrant under which Mrs. Hughes was searching was illegal and that the daughter-in-law shot in defense of her home.

Frank Hughes, the condemned woman's husband, said he was sorry his mother was killed, but commended his wife's act.

FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Bible school at 9:15. If you are not attending a Bible School we want you to visit us Sunday.

Worship and preaching at 11:00 Subject: "According to your Faith be it done unto you."—Matt. 9:29.

Christian Endeavor at 6:30. You are invited to enjoy this service with the young people.

Preaching at 7:30. Subject: "The Call of the Hills."

Wednesday night is "Church Night." We have an interesting class in Bible study from 7:15 to 8:00. You are invited to join or visit this class. Choir practice following the Bible study period.—G. E. Reaves, Minister.

DENVER, Colo.—Mrs. Hazel Perkins won a preliminary divorce decree when she told the judge that in her four years of married life her husband had failed to kiss her.

Supply Company Truck Hits Car

A truck owned by the National Supply Company here ran into a car driven by Miss Margaret Yeldell in front of Mrs. John Yeldell's residence about nine o'clock this morning just as Miss Yeldell was backing out of her private drive onto the street. The car was turned completely around and Miss Zora Baker who was riding with Miss Yeldell was thrown out upon the pavement and bruised considerably.

According to spectators the truck was going at a high rate of speed.

A Years Work At Pasteur Institute

AUSTIN, Texas, Jan. 24.—The annual report of the Pasteur Institute shows five hundred and ninety-six patients given Pastuer treatment the past year. Three of these patients were bitten by humans. The remainder were bitten by cats, dogs, cows, horses mules, rats, skunks, and wolves One person is said to have received twenty bites. Of the total number four hundred and seventy two had positive evidence of rabies. The period of largest infection was March

TANK BRSAKS AND 50,000 GALLONS OF OIL POUR OUT

AMARILLO, Texas, Jan. 25.—A pipe connection leading from the 150,000-gallon tank of fuel oil, which the Fort Worth & Denver Railroad uses for storage purposes, near the round house, broke during Tuesday night and 50,000 gallons of oil was poured out over the yards. Men worked yesterday and last night to salvage what they could and to clean off the ground as a precaution against fire.

"The greatest building year this country has ever had is rounding to a close, and construction under way and uncompleted, with contracts let, assures even greater expansion for 1924," says President Eppich of National Association of Real Estate Boards.

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UNION LABEL

EUROPEAN EXPERIENCES PROVES NEED OF GOOD ROADS IN AMERICA.

The part that highways play in the progress of civilization is well shown by the experience of Europe during the past 2,000 years. From the golden milestone in Rome great highways were built to the remotest bounds of the Roman Empire. Over them went the Roman soldier, and with him law and order. Over them went the Greek schoolmaster, and with him schools and colleges. Over them went the missionary of the Cross, and with him the church, hospital, medical science, and improved agriculture.

Present day halls of justice, schools, colleges and universities, great churches and cathedrals, and the maximum of population, wealth and culture, are found along the highways thrown out from Rome.

On that fateful July day, when the German thrust the point of his wedge between the English and the French at Chateau Thierry, and there was not a man or a gun to oppose their march to the English Channel, it was the highways which saved Europe. Fifty miles away were forty thousand U. S. Marines and other troops and a thousand American-made motor trucks. Due to the splendid roads of France, they arrived on time, and the "shock-troops" of the German Army were hurled back. The motor truck and the roads of France saved civilization.

If for twenty centuries the system of highways has been the mold into which sixty generations of Europeans have been run and have taken shape, who can measure the influence on American life of a national highway system, girdironing this land between ocean and ocean and connecting all the county seats of all the States? When the rate of speed on Europe's roads was but three to six miles per hour for passengers and two miles per hour for freight, the highway determined twenty centuries of history. What will be the influence on American life with highways which speed up the movement of passengers to twenty-five or even forty miles an hour and of freight to thirty miles or even thirty miles per hour at the same time reducing the cost?

WHY NOT "OUR" GOVERNMENT

Thomas W. Hoar, President of the National Builders Association, in an address before Chicago and Cook County Builders Association said:

"We speak sentimentally of 'Our Country.' What do we mean? Are we thinking of the river which we have crossed, or of the hour which we have spent, or are we thinking of the people too, which our country has afforded us, only of the benefit we have got or may get from it? Are we thinking of what we may do for our country or of what our country can do for us?"

"Much as we find reason to deplore Government, to lament the interference of Government in business, to condemn radicalism, our duty to ourselves and our country requires positive as well as negative action, dynamic direction rather than static obstruction. We must be constructive.

As business men we go before Congress—with justification—opposing this bill or favoring that; as business men, we decry the acts of "politicians" who are are elected to office or who procure the election of others to office. Yet, as citizens of our country, do we fulfill the obligations incumbent upon us? Do we exercise our rgiht to vote—and when we do, do we always place intelligent, efficiency and patriotism in government ahead of every other consideration?

We cannot delegate our responsibility in government to some one else. The mainspring of a watch operates through a series of wheels and cogs to move the hands on the dial. City councils, legislatures, congress, executive officials carry on the government—but the mainspring of government is the individual citizen. The mainspring may transmit its impulse thru elected or appointed officials, but the mechanism will not operate if the mainspring is removed. There is no substitute for individual interest in government and individual responsibility for government.

IN THE PUBLIC INTEREST

President Coolidge when discussing the disposition of Muscles Shoals, in his message to Congress, and the manufacture of nitrates at these properties, considered the farmer when he recognized the necessity for cheap fertilizer and also the public interest when he said: "It seems desirable, in order to promote and protect the public welfare, to have adequate covenants that such experiments be made and carried to a successful conclusion.' Such covenants are the people's safeguard if the manufacture of cheap fertilizer is a main consideration for securing a valuable lease of this property from the government.

Many Masonic Anniversaries To Be Celebrated In January

Freemasons of Nation to Hold in Reverent Memory their Great Fraters

January is very rich in Masonic anniversaries. Robert Burns, the famous Scottish poet, who was recognized as the first poet laureate of Freemasonry, was born January 25, 1759. He was a member of St. Davids Lodge No. 174, Tarbolton, Ayrshire, Scotland. He wrote many poems of a Masons character and he participated in important Masonic gatherings in Scotland. A statue was unveiled to him in 1877 at Glasgow.

The famous German composer Wolfgang Mozart, who wrote the Masonic opera Zauberflote (The Magic Flute,) was born January 27, 1756 He was a member of Zur Gekronten Hoffnung Masonic lodge at Vienna.

Many of the figures conspicuous in the battle for liberty on both sides of the Atlantic in revolutionary days were active Manons. In England Edmund Burke, the Great English statesman, whose speech of conciliation proved him the friend of America and won for him the undying love of the American people, was a member of Jerusalem Lodge No. 44, Clerkenwell, London. He was born January 1, 1726.

On the same day of the year, 1735, Paul Revere was born. He was made a Mason in St. Andrews Lodge, Boston, on September 4, 1760; served as its junior warden in 1761; and its Master in 1770-71, 1777-9, 1781-2. He joined Rising States Lodge and became its Master in 1784. He was Grand Master of Masons of Massachusetts 1794-7.

Alexander Hamilton, who, as Secretary of the Treasury under President George Washington, organized the fiscal system of the young nation, was born at Charles Townn, in the pretty little island of Nevis, West Indies, January 11, 1757. While Hamilton's lodge membership is not known, his name is recorded among the visitors to American Union Lodge at Morristow, on December 27, 1779, which indicates that he was accepted as a brother in good standing by the Masons of that day.

John Hancock, whose bold signature upon the Declaration of Independence has become the symbol of splendid courage, was born January 12, 1737. He was made a Mason in Merchant's Lodge No. 277, Quebeck, in 1762, afterward affilating with the lodge of St. Andrew, Boston Mass.

The majority of the generals under Washington's command were Masons, among whom might be especially mentioned Benjamin Lincoln, who won loyalty and ability. He was a member of St. Andrews Masonic Lodge, Boston, having been complimented with the degrees without the usual fee.

Major General John Sullivan another of General Washington's famous aides, of Irish ancestry and a lover of freedom, died January 23, 1795. General Sullivan was raised a Mason at St. John's Masonic Lodge, Portsmouth, New Hampshire, in 1767. He served as Master of his lodge and in 1790 became First Grand Master of Masons of New Hampshire.

During the revolutionary campaigns financial support was as necessary as bayonets and guns, and Robert Morris, of the signers of the Declaration of Independance, contributed of his fortune to the patriots' cause and otherwise helped to finance the war. Morris was born January 20, 1734, and was made a Mason in colonial days in a Pennsylvania lodge.

John Marshall, an officer in the Continental Army, was made Chief Justice of the United States on January 20 1801. He was a member of Richmond Masonic Lodge No. 10, Richmond, Virginia, in 1793.

Another interesting character whose birthday is recognized is Charles S. Stratton, familiarly known throughout the World as "General Tom Thumb." He was an ardent and sincere Mason, and attained the Eminent degree of Knight Templar. Although Brother Stratton was less than forty inches tall, he was a "perfect man" in every respect, and his diminutive body held a mature mind and a generous soul. He never failed to visit a Masonic lodge when opportunity offered. His little wife was a member of the Eastern Star. He was born at Bridgeport, Conn., January 4, 1838.

Gets Support Here, Too

The many people here who have gotten such wonderful results from Black and White Ointment for pimples, blotches, bumps, "breaking out," eczema, rash, itching, etc., are proving their gratitude by giving it the most wholehearted and enthusiastic word-of-mouth publicity ever known.

The fact that Black and White Ointment is already selling at the phenomenal and unheard of rate of nearly two million packages a year, proves louder than words can tell how dependable it is to people who had never before been able to get relief from their skin troubles by using anything else.

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All drug stores are supplied with the wonderful elixir, so all you have to do to get relief from that cold is to step into the nearest drug store, hand the clerk half a dollar for a bottle of Aspironal and tell him to serve you two teaspoonfuls. With your watch in your hand, take the drink at one swallow and call for your money back in two minutes if you cannot feel the distressing symptoms of your cold fading away like a dream, within the time limit. Don't be bashful, for all druggists invite you and expect you to try it. Everybody's doing it.

When your cold or cough is relieved, take the remainder of the bottle home to your wife and children, for Aspironal is by far the safest and most effective, the easiest to take and the most agreeable cold and cough remedy for children as well as adults. Quickest relief for catarrahal croup and children's choking up at night. (adv.)

Snowdrift is made out of oil as good to eat as a fine salad oil.

SALTS FINE FOR ACHIN GKIDNEYS

Most folks foget that the kidneys, like the bowels, sometimes get sluggish and clogged and need a flushing occasionally, else we have backache and dull misery in the kidney region, severe headaches, rheumatic twinges, torpid liver, acid stomach, sleeplessness and all sorts of bladder disorders.

You simply must keep your kidneys active and clean and the moment you feel an ache or pain in the kidney region begin drinking lots of water. Also get about four ounces of Jad Salts from any good drug store here, take a tablespoonful in a glass of water before breakfast for a few days and your kidneys will then act fine. This famous salts is made from the acid of grapes and lemon juice, combined with lithia, and is intended to flush clogged kidneys and help stimulate them to activity. It also helps neutralize the acids in the urine so they no longer irritate, thus helping to relieve bladder disorders.

Jad Salts is inexpensive; makes a delightful effervescent lithia water drink which everybody should take now and then to help keep their kidneys clean.

A well known local druggist says he sells lots of Jad Salts to folks who believe in trying to correct kidney trouble while it is only trouble. By all means have your physician examine your kidneys at least twice a year.—(Adv.)

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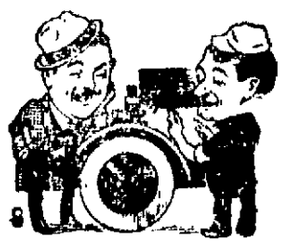

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PROSPECTS ARE ENCOURAGING IN THE OIL FIELDS

With prospects still encouraging for a wildcat and with oil prices certain to rise again soon, much good feeling exists throughout the district.

The Keechi well about 20 miles east of Teague in Freestone is said to have an oil showing in the bailer and is atttracting much interest upon the part of the fildcatters, scouts and geologists who have an eye on operations there. The Keechi is in the vicinity of the L. A. Smith test on the Edwards ranch.

The Humphreys test near Groesbeck is understood to be a very gratifying prospect. Work of standardizing the well which is now near the Woodbine depths for that territory is going forward at present.

The Carter and Lytle test, on the Hackney, between Mexia and Wortham, too, is an important test, said also to be encouraging.

In the Powell area, the No. 4 Boyd well of the Simms Oil Company was completed late Wednesday for about 2,500 barrels of oil a day. The well has a good sand thickness and bids fair to hold up to a good daily production. Its completion has a favorable bearing on additional deep pay territory in the west end of the big field and adds an impetus to activity in the direction of Angus.

Bailing is under way at the McDonald Brothers' Swink test, at Richland. Reports are that indications for oil are encouraging.

The sum of $7,660 was paid the County Tax Collector by the J. K. Hughes Developing Company as county and State taxes on the oil properties of that company in Navarro County.

Sashine followed the rain off Wednesday, with the result that the oil field roads have started to dry up.

There is no substitute for individual interest in government and individual responsibility for government.

Letters from People

IN RE: SAFETY WORK IN THE OIL FIELDS.

The Executive Committee has voted in favor of this organization attempting safety work in the oil fields and refineries in the manner heretofore outlined. It now becomes necessary to ascertain how much support there will be for this work, as it is a part of the plan that it shall be separately financed.

It is also deemed necessary to hold a meeting of safety engineers and safety representatives of the various oil operators, refiners and pipelines to outline the program and policy andn the manner iin which the work will be put on. Accordingly, and at the suggestion of Mr. D. J. Wallace of the Humble Company, who has been very active in this work and who has served as President of the Texas Safety Council, a meeting has been called for January 26th at 10 A. M. at the Adolphus Hotel, Dallas, Texas.

It is suggested that every company interested in seeing that safety work is successfully carried on should send a representative to this meeting, at which time an advisory committee headed by a safety engineer will be selected to supervise the work and see that the greatest possible efficiency is obtained for the least possible financial outlay. Companies having safety engineers are especially urged to send them to this meeting. The work will then be organized for the five states.

In the meantime, we are sending your organization an application card requesting information as to the amount of support that will be forthcoming from your organization. It will be necessary for us to receive replies on this subject before we can make up our budget for the ensuing year.

Those who contemplate attending the Dallas meeting are advised that the Frisco train leaves Tulsa at 8:50 in the evening amnd the Katy leaves at 9:00 in the evening, both of which arrive in Dallas early the next morning. Let's have a good attendance at the Dallas meeting from all of the five States in the Mid-Continent field.

Yours very truly
Mid-Continent Oil & Gas Ass'n.
By Harry H. Smith, Secretary.

OIL

I

Where the sands of the Woodbine twineth
'Neath however unfertile soil,
'Tis there my soul repineth
And prayerfully longs for oil.

II

Nor Powell nor Mexia nor Luling'
fertile field
Will satisfy my longing for Nature'.
richest yield.
The Woodbine I am seeking for a
Rockefeller gift
Lies underneath the structure of Milano's great uplift.

III

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the deed is done;
A gusher of 5000 barrels and even
more, we pray,
Will mark the celebration of Washington's natal day.

—Contributed.

MEXIA DAILY NEWS ON SALE IN DALLAS

All visitors to Dallas may secure the Mexia Daily News at the news stand at the Northwest corner of Akard and Main at what is known as the Marvin drug store corner. Today's News is placed on sale there the next morning. Whe nin Dallas be sure and call for yours.

Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Wilson of Waco were visitors to the city Wednesday.

GAS WELL BLOWS OUT WRECKING THE DERRICK

BAY CITY, Matagorda Co., Texas, Jan. 25.—Activity in the old Markham field now is apparent. The Schulte Oil Company is drilling at 3,900 feet on the Hawk lease, with several showings of gas at different depths. The Rycade Oil Company is driling its second test east of the creek on the Hudson lease, and is down some 3,160 feet, having missed the salt dome found in its first test drilled. The Rycade also is spudding in on the Gray lease. The Schulte well, at over 4,100 feet, blew out with a terrific roar of dry gas, wrecking the derrick.

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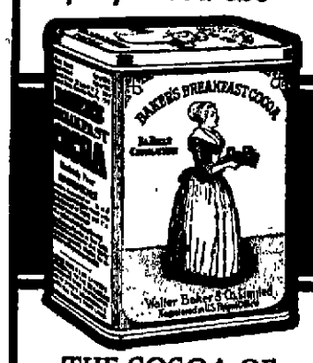

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ON THE WAY DOWN TOWN

(In Dallas)

By SLYBOOTS

Boy, page Mr. Webster, Mr. Noah Webster. This is what our mutual friend Garland Adair was doing in the Adolphus Hotel in Dallas last Wednesday afternoon. Garland as you know has taken on some of the nature of his great name-sake "Mark Anthony" and while he has all of Mark's historic ability, he has never assumed that effrontry and highbrowism that his illustrious forebear struggled along with. Garland is nothing if not modest and retiring—so just as Slyboots stepped up to the Bell Captain at the Adolphus to have some ice water put on tap, Garland was bowing in his elegant Southern style. The young lady was dazed in some manner and with Garland trying to apologize I thought I might help him over the rocks as I never forsake a friend in such circumstances for I always figure I will enjoy taking up the subject where my friend left off. But this was a most embarrassing moment in Garland's young life and I thought that I would prove myself a hero even if the Carnegie spy couldn't locate me. As I stepped up Garland with that blush on his cheeks that cometh not from a drug store, gave me a smile of helplessness and I then rushed to the rescue. I knew that Garland was away from home—that his thoughts are constantly on Home and Family and I felt that I might in some way stem the tide for him and this is what he says to me: "Sly, have you a few moments to spare," I nooded, "then throw me a life-line," he continued. "Just as I stepped up to the desk here to make an inquiry about you I heard some one singing and the young lady happeneed not to be there at the desk and as she came back to the desk from behind the letter boxes I was waiting and asked her if she was The Diva—referring to the music of course—and she said, 'No, I don't like to swim.' So Sly, I haven't enough muscle in my jaw—you whisper gently that Divas Sing."

Just as I finished the explanation to the Young Cheerful—Joe Arrington walked up and wanted to know if I had any ice water in my room. I told him the last ice water I had gave me the croup and I was afraid to try it again but if he insisted I would take Garland away from the swirling crowd and get him out of the desert.

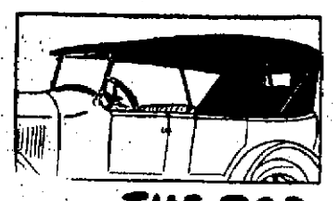
Garland then said: "Boys, I have read of the Burning Sands—I have pictures at home of the Pyramids and I have studied the Sphinx—but mr. Oasis I have never reated in—waft me thither and let the balm of Baccus cool my parched tonsils." Here the story ends. For Garland did not return on the night train with us.

But on my way to the station in Dallas I encountered another friend, of the By-Gones, Ben Stollenwerck. Ben, as you all know, never says a word—but just here let me pull this out of my Cedar Chest—it is reported that the Rotary Club of Mexia will soon install a Fresh Air meter for all speakers—this burs Ben—but to go on with the story, as it was a balmy night and the stars were making eyes at their mates—O, no! the Stars in the Blue above is what I refer to. I decided I would walk down as I had enjoyed a rather heavy bowl of Chilly Mac with Joe Arrington. So as Joe and I were passing the intersection of Commerce and Lamar I saw a crowd in the middle of the street—several cops and a considerable traffic jam. You know me for excitement, so I rushed on out where the smoke was the thickest, with Joe right behind. And what do you think it was all about? There was Ben, our good silent friend of the Rotary and Sunday school with his hat clutched in his right hand and his tongue wagging in High. A taxi driver was Ben's piece de resistance and there beside the taxi was a most serious argument. Ben had called the taxi at the Adolphus and loaded in all by his lonely. He told the driver "to the station". They had gone but half a block when Ben called to the driver to turn on "the" music. Of course this was all new to the taxi so he thought that Ben had been out with the Snow Birds and paid no attention to him. Again Ben yelled—"Turn on that durn music I tell you." By the way, when Ben says Durn that means his pulse is fast. On the taxi sped down the slippery way of Commerce and by the time they had reached Lamar where we found them Ben had knocked out one of the glass partitions separating him and the driver and says, "Turn on that Music I tell you or I'll get out and walk." With that the taxi stopped and decided he would see what was the conversation running to. It was then that Joe and I arrived on the battle field and what do you think we heard Ben say—"Fellows, I took this car with the full intentions of hearing music as I rode along from out that Music Box up there in front and all I could see or hear was the little red flag with no stars or stripes in it and a Bee a Buzzing." Ben says he'll board with me if I tell the rest. Bye.

"Someday I am going to demand that the producers give me a chance to dress up," said Hunter, "in this picture I do not even get to the stiff-collar stage, but my time will come someday and I'll show 'em just how good I look in a dress suit."

MAH JONG SET FOR A DIME

The Dallas News will, on Sunday, Jan. 27, announce that a complete cut-out set of the game of Mah Jong may be secured for ten cents. Full particulars in Sunday's Dallas News.



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G. E. Anderson was here Wednesday from Waco.

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday.

Junior Dramatic Club.

Bridge Club meets.

A. Garland Adair returned last night from a two days business visit to Dallas.

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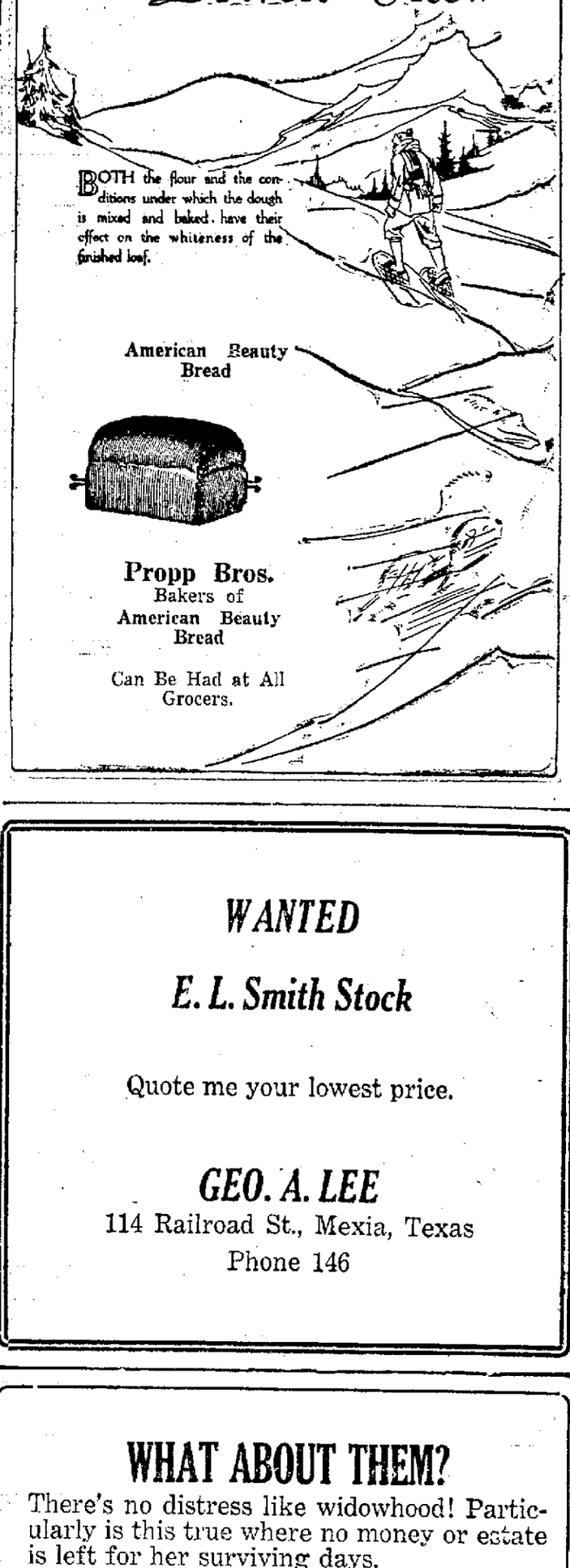

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Huge Volume Of Business Shows What May Be Done With Attention To Detail

The Mexia Battery and Tire Company is one of Mexia's leading and mammoth institutions which is contributing to a bigger and better Mexia.

This company is making this contribution not only in magnitude of business done, scope of territory served, addition to the "tin bucket brigade" here, but also in interest and co-operation extended those campaigns and those causes which are essential to a growing, progressive and expanding community.

$250,000 Business

During the year, this concern here handled almost a quarter of a million dollars worth of business, which in itself is a volume of sufficient magnitude to make the biggest concerns of the kind 'sit up and take notice" Such a feat was duplicated in 1923 only in a very few instances and only in the larger cities of the state of Texas The feat also shows that big business' may be done in a city of 10,000 population and encourages every institution here of every kind and description to study the methods and policies of the Mexia Battery and Tire Company and thus improve their own business relations, serve the section in the largest possible way and, at the same time

Territory Served

The institution serves a large trade locally and is known and patronized beyond the Trinity river to the east, to Temple to the west, almost to Dallas to the north, and as far south as Bryan This extensive business has been built because of the service quality and courtesy found within the walls and at the entrances of the concern and because of the same sort of treatment and service rendered on the streets and roads when emergency calls are responded to Almost daily cross country tourists come into town looking for the locations of one of the two stations of the Mexia Battery and Tire Company which they have heard of many miles away Jim Prickett President of the company knowing the value of advertising both in newspapers and on the road has placed signs along the highways leading here so that the wayfaring man may read Forecast signs in all directions on the advertisements of the Mexia concern are to be seen along the side of the road 250 signs placed with a the past year in the endeavor of the company to build a bigger and surer foundation for permanent growth As the years of the future unfold this policy Mr Prickett says will be maintained with a view of rendering the best service possible to the public With the automobile business practically in its infancy there is no limit to the possibilities of the future here On and on it will thus expand building a better community and better conditions for the thousands of satisfied customers

Tin Bucket Brigade

The Mexia Battery and Tire Company has numerous employees to take care of the local trade and numerous transactions of the year Mr Prickett has learned all along that to attend to the business involved properly and with due courtesy there should be a force of competent workers adequate to meet the needs sufficient to give the time necessary to every detail and ready on short notice to serve the trade This explains the large number of employees the exact number of them and the size of the payroll which places the company among the largest contributors to the section The payroll is a large amount each month and all employees including the office force

According to Mr Prickett many of the employees and their families reside in Mexia Mexia is a good town to live in and to Mexia grows The following

W. H. PRICKETT
J. W. CONWAY
JOHN PRICKETT
C. E. PRICKETT
FRANK PRICKETT
T. F. WARD
J. V. HATWOOD
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L. RACCOUYS
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HENRY DIXON
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Two Year Old

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U. S. Autos Insured For $294,000,000.00

Full Insurance Would Cost Amazing Amount of Over Two Billion Dollars

New "Safety First" Tire Brings Comfort to Motorists Who Are Not Insured

In 1924, automobile owners in the United States spent approximately $294,000,000 for automobile insurance. This is an average of only $21 a year for every motor vehicle in this country, or about one-seventh of the cost of full insurance for a medium-priced car in New York, for example, in which city $150 covers just a moderate amount of public liability insurance, as well as the usual theft and fire protection.

In other words, says D. M. Mason, General Manager of the Mason Tire & Rubber Co., millions of automobile owners evidently carry no insurance at all, and additional millions merely protect themselves against theft and fire, and some property damage, while they neglect entirely the vastly more important hazard of personal liability.

Insurance Costs $3.00 a Week!

In most cases, this is due to the heavy cost of automobile insurance which runs about $3 or dollars a week for the average car owner. Because of this lack of insurance, hundreds of thousands of motorists use their cars only in fine weather and on good roads. They prefer to walk or to use public service transportation rather than take unnecessary chances in rain, snow, at night and in very heavy traffic.

New Tire Decreases Skidding

With the introduction of the new Mason "Safety First" tire, however it is no longer necessary for automobile owners to expose themselves to risk or to deny themselves the use of their cars on slippery roads. The Mason "Safety First" tire has 207 scientifically designed "safety grips" which resist with amazing tenacity any tendency to swerve or sideslip. It is also buttressed with 138 sidewall wedges which give added traction in the slushy ruts of country roads and afford excellent protection against rut and curbstone scuffing and from damage due to driving on street-car tracks in the city.

Texas Company To Drill Another Test

Groesbeck Journal

The Texas Company has completed the derrick and moved a string of cable tools to the location of their Stroud No. 4 well and will probably begin drilling operations this week.

The new location of the Texas Company is said to be about 1500 feet southwest of the No. 3 well which was completed last summer. The indications are that this company believes the oil bearing sand will be located on the east side of the old shallow gas area and that they will make every effort to locate it. This well will be watched with the closest interest when operations begin.

The Holton well of the Pure Oil Company three miles west of Groesbeck, will be used as a gas well for the time being. This company is expected to begin other operations in this territory within the near future, however no official announcement of such has been made.

NOTICE

Springfield Lodge No. 74 A. F. and A. M. Colon Phillips, W. M. Called meeting tonight for work in Masters degree. Visitors always welcome.

NOTICE

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Standard Oil Company of New Jersey in "The Lamp," its official publication, states that on October 1 there were in storage in United States 475,000,000 barrels crude oil, which, together with by-products, represent tied-up capital of $1,000,000,000, entailing an annual charge of $150,000,000 for interest and loss.

LEFT HER HAT BUT NOT THE CASH

DALLAS, Jan. 25.—Thomas Christmas is looking for a woman without a hat. When he finds her he wants to find out what became of his $55 that was missing about the time he found the hat.

Chrismas says the woman awakened him when she ran from the room leaving her hat behind. His purse containing $55 was missing when he investigated.

Examinations are now closing in the schools and many transfers to higher grades will be the result, and happiness in proportion.

J. D. Arrington paid Dallas a business visit Wednesday.

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

Having this day purchased the casing pulling holdings of Homer C. Thrift in the Mexia field and surrounding districts, we are taking this method of announcing to the public that we are assuming the responsibility for all obligations, including the payment of all bills presentable and approved from date, accruing from the operation of the machine known as the "Thrift Machine" now operating in the Mexia field.

We wish to further advise that the business will continue to be conducted under the same capable management as directed by Mr. Thrift, and that we will appreciate a continuance of the support extended him by the various firms operating in the above mentioned districts.

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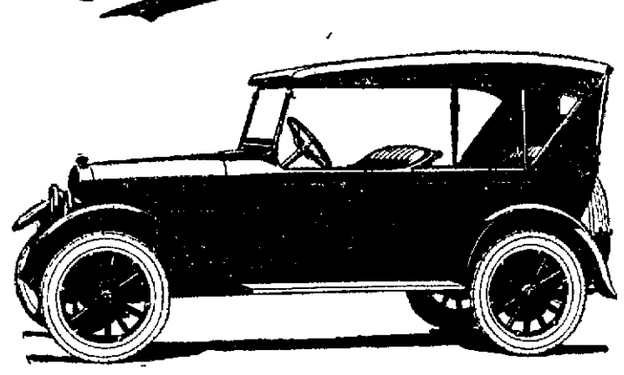

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HELP WANTED—A

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LOST—Old time Roman gold wrist watch. Name and address in back of case. Reward. Box X, care News. 18D1

LOST—Very valuable bunch of keys on Groesbeck and Mexia road, between my home on old reunion road and Mexia. Three Studebaker keys, two Yale keys and several others. Valuable reward offered. Please notify David Ross, Route 1, Box 43, Mexia. 18D7

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LOST—Ladie's brown fox fur in National Theatre. Phone 146 for reward. 20D7

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WANT TO BUY—J K Hughes Developing Company, F. L. Smith Oil Company, Mexia Heart of Pool Royalty Company, Powell Lee Hurdle, Jesse McLendon, room 1 McLendon building, Mexia, Texas 18E30

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NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE
OF PERSONAL PROPERTY

The State of Texas, County of Limestone.

By virtue of an order of sale issued out of the Honorable 87th District Court of Limestone County, Texas on the 16th day of January, A. D. 1924, by Johnson Wakefield, Clerk of said District Court, in the case of J. W. Hinchliffe and W. W. Hinchliffe vs. Mexia Red Seal Syndicate and A. S. Hatch, No. 4035-B, and to me, as sheriff, directed and delivered, I will proceed to sell, within the hours prescribed by law for sheriff's sales on Thursday, the 31st day of January, A. D. 1924, at the Court House door in the town of Groesbeck, Limestone County, Texas, the following described property ,to-wit:

1 wooden derrick; 3500 feet 6⅝-inch Youngstown casing, wt. 24 lbs., Long Collar, and also 1 Complete Standard Oil Well rig, including all sills, belt house, engine house, timbers, ropes, etc., belonging to said well and rig, and being all the property used in connection with the drilling of a certain well known as the Red Seal Well about 8 miles South of Mexia, in Limestone County, Texas, on the land now owned by Roscoe Cook, and it being the same casing heretofore conveyed by the Continental Supply Company to A. S. Hatch trustee for the Mexia Red Seal Syndicate by Bill of Sale dated August 12, 1922, and which casing is now located in said Red Seal well, levied on as the property of Mexia Red Seal Syndicate and A. S. Hatch, to satisfy a judgement amounting to Four Hundred Eighteen and 42-100 Dollars ($418.42) in favor of J. W Hinchliffe and W. W. Hinchliffe, jointly, and the further sum of Three Hundred Sixty-Three and 44-100 Dollars ($363.44,) in favor of Roscoe Cook, and the further sum of Three Hundred Two and 77-100 Dollars ($302 77) in favor of J. W. Hinchliffe, and the further sum of Three Hundred Two and 77-100 Dollars ($302.77) in favor of W. W. Hinchliffe, and the further sum of One Hundred Eighty One and 72-100 Dollars ($181.72) in favor of Charlie Hinchliffe, and the further sum of One Hundred Twenty One and 16-100 Dollars ($121 16) in favor of R. E Hinchliffe, and the further sum of Two Hundred Ten and 00-100 Dollars ($210.00) in favor of J. W. Hinchliffe and W. W. Hinchliffe, jointly, and all costs of suit.

Given under my hand this the 18th day of January, A. D. 1924.

WHIT POPEJOY, Sheriff,
Limestone County, Texas
By N. P. HARRIS, Deputy.
21-28

THE STATE OF TEXAS:

To the Sheriff or any Constable of Limestone County—GREETING:

You are hereby commanded to summon C. A. Riley by making publication of this citation once in each week for four consecutive weeks previous to the return to me hereof, in some newspaper published in your county, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in the nearest county where a newspaper is published, to appear at the next regular term of the Justice Court in and for Precinct No. 4, of Limestone County, Texas, to be holden in the Court House thereof at Mexia on the second Tuesday in March, A. D. 1924, the same being the 11th day of March, A. D. 1924, then and there to answer a petition filed in said court on the 15th day of January, A. D. 1924, in a suit numbered on the docket of said court No. 828 wherein A. L. Griffin is plaintiff and C. A. Riley is defendant, said petition alleging that plaintiff, at the special instance and request of defendant, performed certain labor for him at the agreed price of Ten Dollars ($10.00) per month, and that said services were performed under said contract for a period of four months at the total agreed price of Forty Dollars ($40.00) for which plaintiff sues defendant, and for Twenty Dollars ($20.00) additional as attorney's fees incurred by plaintiff in the prosecution of this suit.

Herein fail not, but have you before said court on the said 1st day of the said March term of said court this writ with your return thereon showing how you have executed the same.

Given under my hand this the 15th day of January, A. D. 1924.

O. KENNEDY,
Justice of Peace,
Precinct No. 4,
Limestone County.

Issued this the 15th day of January, A. D. 1924.

O. KENNEDY,
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Precinct No. 4,
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INCOME TAX IN NUTSHELL

WHO?—Single persons who had net income of $1,000 or more or gross income of $5,000 or more, and married couples who had net income of $1,000 or more or gross income of $5,000 or more, and married couples who had net in come of $2,000 or more or gross income of $5,000 or more must file returns.

WHEN?—The filing period is from January 1 to March 15, 1924.

WHERE?—Collector of internal revenue for the district in which the person lives or has his principal place of business.

HOW?—Instructions on Form 1040-A and Form 1040; also the law and regulations.

WHAT?—Four per cent normal tax on the first $4,000 of net income in excess of the personal exemption and credits for dependents. Eight per cent normal tax on balance of net income. Surtax from 1 per cent to 50 per cent on net incomes over $6.000 for the year 1923.

NOTICE OF DISSOLUTION

Notice is hereby given that the copartnership heretofore existing between O. Y. Manning and J. P. Dunaway, in Mexia, Limestone County, Texas, was by mutual consent dissolved as of date December 19th, 1923.

By the terms of said dissolution, J. P. Dunaway became and now is sole owner and proprietor of the Kaufman Street Grocery, and all accounts due said Kaufman Street Grocery are payable to him.

O. Y. Manning likewise becomes sole owner and Proprietor of the Model Grocery, and all accounts due same are payable to the said O. Y. Manning.

By the terms of dissolution and settlement as mutually agreed upon, O. Y. Manning assumes and becomes liable for the payment of all debts due by both the Kaufman Street Grocery, and the Model Grocery as of date of December 19, 1923, since which time all debts contracted or obligations assumed by the Kaufman Street Grocery or the Model Grocery, are payable by J. P. Dunaway and O. Y. Manning respectively.

Witness our hands, this the 12th day of January, 1921.

O. Y. Manning.
J. P. Dunaway. 13-10

CANDIDATES
Announcements
1924 ELECTIONS

LIMESTONE COUNTY

For District Clerk—
ELLIS DICKERSON.
M. A. AINSWORTH.
For County Judge—
H. F. KIRBY (Re-election sought)
JOHNSON WAKEFIELD
For County Tax Assessor—
TOM M. CAIN
R. W. STEEN
A. A. HYDEN.
For Tax Collector—
W. A. ROBBINS. (re-election.)
For County Treasurer—
H. C. FITZGERALD.

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EFFECTIVE 12:01 A. M. JUNE 17th.

North bound—
343 From cut-off ..... 1:47 p. m.
15 Dallas Ft. Worth ..... 3:44 p. m
31 Dallas Ft. Worth .....12:50 p. m.
37 Dallas Ft. Worth ..... 5:14 a. m
17 Dallas Ft. Worth ..... 4:35 a. m.
19 Dallas Ft. Worth ..... 3:55 a. m.

South bound—
346 To cut-off ..... 7:00 a. m.
16 Houston San Antonio....11:45 a. m.
32 From Dallas .....10:08 a. m.
38 Austin San nAtonio ....12:21 a. m.
18 Houston San Antonio .. 1:37 a. m.
20 Houston San Antonio ..12:16 a. m.

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North.
No. 8—3:25 p. m.
South.
No. 7—12:55 p. m.

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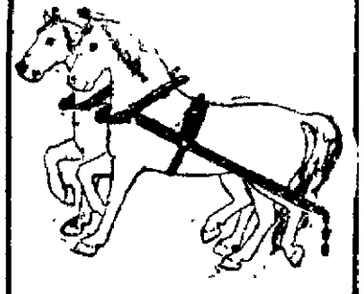

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LYNCH DAVIDSON'S OLD HOME SCHOOL IN COUNTY FIRE SWEPT

GROESBECK, Texas, Jan. 25.—Central institute, the little country school where Lynch Davidson of Houston, candidate for governor, received his early education, is no more. Fire of unknown origin destroyed the building and its contents.

At the time Mr. Davidson attended this school it was a military academy, and the most pretentious institution of learning in the whole countryside. The building was located on the Neal Davidson homestead and it was here that the present candidate developed into a sturdy youngster with ruddy health and military carriage. Here he learned military drill, carried rails for punishment, and began his education.

But the first school attended by one of Limestone's most illustrious sons is no more.

Chief of Bureau Of Public Roads Says Something

Every town of 5,000 population and many smaller communities, reaching 85 to 90 per cent of the country population, will be directly served by the federal aid system of highways now being developed, according to T. H. MacDonald, chief of the United States bureau of public roads.

Mr. MacDonald brought out the fact that the road system is being planned by state and government officials on an earning capacity basis. Highways are being constructed of such surfaces and in such locations as will render an economic value equal to or exceeding the investment required.

He also noted that 19 per cent of our billion dollar expenditure each year for roads is being devoted to the major or federal aid system, and that 80 per cent is being paid out for local feeder routes.

The total amount collected from motor vehicles by the federal government since the starting of the federal aid program in 1917 has amounted to $589,000,000, while the federal aid road expenditure has been $264,000,000. Thus, Mr. MacDonald pointed out, as far as the major or federal aid system, including the money paid by the states, is concerned the amount taken from general taxation is negligible, and the roads are a permanent asset to the community.

Only Half Of Us Burn Gas

Of the 131,000 places in the United States only 3,885 cities and towns are supplied with gas, according to the Marketing Division of the International Magazine Company. These 3,885 communities however, contain 50 per cent of the total population.

The research work of this Division is done for the benefit of manufacturers and distributors mainly to aid the proper distribution of manufactured products.

"If the manufacturers of a supply for gas consumers does not know the above stated facts," said the head of the Marketing Division, "he might send his salesmen and his advertising literature to thousands of communities where he would necessarily waste his efforts because there is no gas in these communities.

"The same condition exists in practically all other lines of business and waste of distribution is one of the important reasons why consumer cost is so high."

Continued increase in taxation discourages industrial expansion and employment of labor. The time is here when our tax bill should be gradually reduced. To bring this about the people must register approval of men and measures favoring economy and business administration of public affairs.

J. E. Moody and Miss Cynthia Johnson of La Salle were married in the Justice of Peace office in Mexia last Thursday afternoon. The ceremony was performed by Justice Osborne Kennedy.

For Saturday.—Carnations $2.00 per dozen. McSwane Flower Shop.

Stole His Wages And Was Fined

A young negro, charged with stealing twenty dollars from another negro, was brought into Judge Kennedy's court Thursday afternoon and fined on his own confession. The negro stated that he had worked for the negro from whom the money was stolen and had not been paid for a year's labor. When he found a pocketbook of the negro in the yard he decided he would get even and appropriate an amount of the money it contained. He stated that the pocketbook had something over $80 in it.

Captured Clothes Thief Confessed

Mexia officers arrested a man Tuesday charged with stealing. An examining trial was held in Judge Kennedy's court after which the accused was taken to Groesbeck.

According to the officers the man stole about $135.00 worth of clothes from some companions in the oil fields in this locality. He was discovered on an H. & T. C. freight train by a brakeman and given over to the officers here. It is said that he hid the clothes at Hearne and that he was taken there, after being identified by persons from whom the clothes were stolen, and made to reveal the place where he had hid them. The officers stated that the man made a complete confession.

AT THE OPERA HOUSE

(Press Notice)

The Diamond Revue continues to draw a good crowd at the Opera House each night with their splendid company of comedy artists.

Today the play will be "Fair and Warmer," a famous Broadway success of recent years.

Saturday the last day of the engagement the program will be "The Country Boy," which promises to be one of the best plays put on by this company.

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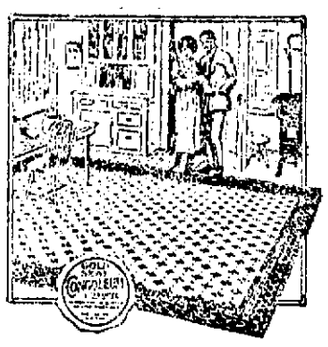

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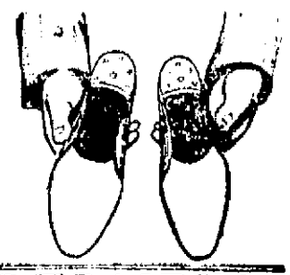

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Mrs. G. W. Hopson, Noble Grand of the Rebecca lodge of this city, states that the Rebeccas will hold a box supper at the hall tonight, beginning at 8:30. To this event the public is invited most cordially.

Mrs. Hopson states that it was not the intention of the Rebeccas to interfere with the Delphian's affair at the High School, but that arrangements had been made for the affair tonight before it was known that the same date had been selected by the Delphians and the situation could not be changed at present, since all preparations have been made.

A large attendance is expected and a very delightful social affair is assured.

Prior to the Box supper, about 7:15 a business session is planned, to which the members are invited, while everyone is invited to attend the box supper.

DELPHIANS WILL BE IN CHARGE WHEN HOME IS OPENED

The News has made arrangements with the Delphian Club to take charge and demonstrate the J. K. Hughes Model home. The $20.00 The News offered will be spent for books The ladies will have entire charge of this demonstration and display this model home as they see fit. The model home is now complete with one exception. The cement work, which will be completed as rapidly as possible. You will see the announcement of the opening in The Mexia Daily News, showing the cost. The contractors who the lumber was purchased from, who the light fixtures were purchased from, who the wall paper was purchased from, who did the painting and plumbing, who dressed the floors and did the cement work, and also calling attention to the cooperation in furnishing extended by the John R. Corley and J. I. Riddle Furniture companies.

BENTONVILLE, Ark.—Professing a fondness for "flappers" Allen Poe, 81 years old, made Viola Pollock, 22, his fourth wife.

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Fred Karner and Ben F. Stollenwerck returned Thursday from Dallas.

C. E. Mann of Beaumont was in the Wednesday.

Too Late to Classify

For Saturday.—Carnations $2.00 per dozen. McSwane Flower Shop.

WANTED—Boys to carry paper route. Earn good pay. Liberal commissions. Must be able to read, write and talk. See E. J. Ormsby, Pioneer News Stand. 23A3

FOR RENT—Two room furnished garage apartment on North Ross; water, lights, and gas; priced reasonably. Telephone or see J. M. Lamberth, 700 South McKinney, either No. 553 or 650-J. 23L3

FOR SALE—New desk and chair. See C. W. Killough, 202 East Smith. Phone 623-J. 24J3

AN INTELLIGENT PERSON, either sex, may earn $100 to $200 monthly corresponding for newspapers; $15 to $25 weekly in spare time; experience unnecessary; no canvassing; subjects suggested. Send for particulars. National Press Bureau, Buffalo, N. Y. 3A3

FOR EXCHANGE—Modern five room residence in Waco, worth $5,000 to exchange for a home in Mexia of about equal value. T. S. Whiteley & Co., 503½ Austin Avenue, Waco, Texas. 23F7

WANTED—Three room apartment, furnished or unfurnished, close in, modern. Answer care News, Box 21. 24L4

MADAME ELIZABETH, Phrenologist. Special readings by appointment, during the day from 9 to 11 a. m. and 1 to 5 p. m. for the next 10 days. 514 East Palestine street. Room 12. 25A7

WANTED—To sell you a piano or player with a ten point motor. Will save you $50.00 to $150.00. Fully guaranteed. Pianos tuned and repaired. Hall Music Company, next door Daily News. (Reference any bank in Texas.) 25E2

FOR RENT—Two furnished rooms, 1012 South McKinney, also two furnished rooms 1017 South McKinney. Phone 145-W or can see me at 1012 or 1017 South McKinney. 25L3

LOST—Black leather hand bag containing ladies clothes and electric hair curler. Finder notify P. O. Box 522 and receive reward. 25D2

FOR SALE—One share of Fish Tank stock. Can see Mrs. Anderson at the Millinery Store in City National Bank building. Chas. Anderson. 25J3

LOST—Baby cap on Commerce or Main street. Liberal reward offered. American Dry Cleaners. 25D1

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FOR RENT—Two furnished rooms for light housekeeping, for couple, on paved street. 723 South McKinney. Phone 383-W. 25L2

WANTED—Two young ladies to canvas the city—nothing to sell; good pay. Call for Mr. Dowell at Majestic Hotel from nine to twelve Saturday morning only. 25A1

J. J. Burns was here from Waco Wednesday.

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SECRETARY MELLON FIGHTS BACK FOR TAX BILL

Senate Demands Proof of Loan by Oil Man to Fall

Former Cabinet Face Gruelling Examination By Senate Body

By PAUL R. MALLON
(United Press Staff Correspondent)

WASHINGTON, Jan. 25.—Senate Public Lands Committee investigating Teapot Dome will demand absolute proof of the truth of the story told by E. L. Doheny, millionaire oil man of a $100,000 loan to Albert B. Fall, former secretary of the interior.

Both Fall and Doheny must submit conclusive evidence to the committee that their testimony is accurate, committee members said today as the committee prepared to continue delving into the amazing stories of loans to the man who controlled the leasing of vast national wealth in the form of oil in the naval oil reserves of the West.

Fall, who arrived in Washington about 11 o'clock last night from New Orleans, to undergo an ordeal of cross examination never before faced by an American Cabinet officer or former Cabinet member, will take the witness stand Monday, according to present plans.

Colonel J. W. Zevely, Washington representative of Harry F. Sinclair, rival of Doheny and lessee of Teapot Dome, will be quizzed this afternoon. The committee wants to know what Zevely did with the $80,000 worth of Sinclair Oil Company stock and $25,000 worth of Liberty bonds given to him out of the Sinclair treasury.

Testimony has been that Zevely got this to buy a house on Long Island.

Zevely accompanied Fall to Washington from New Orleans and Fall, after trying in vain to elude newspapermen waiting for him, went to Zevely's house for the night.

Slipping into the capital shortly before midnight, Fall was examined by his physician, Dr. John Whorton.

After the examination, Dr. Whorton said:

"Mr. Fall is suffering from a malady that any moment may take his life. He is a very sick man. I hope and feel sure that he will insist on appearing before the Senate Public Lands Committee on Monday to answer any charges against him."

Fall hobbled into Zevely's house on a cane. His face was shrunken and hollow.

"Boys, I'm a very sick man and I have nothing to say," he told newspaper men as he went in.

"Would you wish to answer intimations that you received an additional $100,000 in connection with the leases," he was asked.

"I don't know anything about that," Fall said.

"Some intimations seem to have been given that another $100,000 was loaned you."

"Boys I can't say anything now."

The committee is not satisfied with the testimony of E. L. Doheny, who yesterday said he had loaned $100,000 to Fall on a personal note security in November, 1921.

None of the members of the committee would indicate whether they intended to accept or reject Doheny's proposal that President Coolidge appoint three experts to determine whether his leases on naval oil Reserves Nos. 1 and 2 in California were lawfully and honestly negotiated.

They want to hear Zevely and Fall first.

With tears in his eyes at the memory of Fall's "hard luck," Doheny told the committee the whole transaction was "purely a piece of friendship." He described himself as an irresponsible, improvident old prospector, with a big heart who open handedly told his friend Fall that whenever he needed money, "come to me."

He regarded it about as other men would regard a $5 or $10 loan, he said.

A little later Doheny said he confidently expected to make $100,000,000 out of one of the California naval oil reserve leases granted him by Fall.

Felix D. Robertson of Dallas, candidate for Governor of Texas was a visitor to Mexia last Thursday evening.

Herring Case Dismissed Upon Motion Presented Before Judge A. M. Blackmon In The 77th District Court Of County

The case of the State of Texas against Guy Herring, charged with the theft of $60,400.00 from the Farmers State Bank of this city in February, 1922, was called for trial before Judge A. M. Blackmon in the 77th District Court of Limestone County, Thursday, and when the case was called, a motion was made in open court by the attorneys for the State for a continuance of the case for the reason that Mr. Lud J. Williams who is employed by the State Banking Department to prosecute the Defendant, would be engaged in the trial of a murder case in San Angelo, Texas, set for Monday, January 28th. Mr. Williams stated that this case had been set for months, and that it would be impossible for him to obtain a continuance of it. The District Attorney, Mr. James Kimball, also requested that the case be continued for the reason that C. H. Machen was one of the principal witnesses for the State in case, and was, at the time, engaged in the trial of a murder case in Freestone County at Fairfield, and was unable to be present during the trial of the case. Mr. Machen was also an attorney assisting in the prosecution.

The defendant announced ready for trial and urged upon the Court that he be given a hearing, inasmuch as the Farmers State Bank had in its possession more than $40,000.00 which his attorneys stated belonged to the defendant, and further urged that under the laws and contsitution of the State he was entitled to a speedy trial.

The Court, after hearing the motions for the State and the Defendant, was of the opinion that the defendant was entitled to a trial.

Thereupon, the attorneys for the State, composed of Lud J. Williams of Waco, Kennedy & Lyles of Groesbeck, and District Attorney James Kimball, consulted with reference to the matter, after which the District Attorney moved to dismiss the indictment rather than to be forced into a trial of the case in the absence of Mr. C. H. Machen. Mr. Williams, representing the State Banking Department, joined in this request. He explained that at the time of the presenting of the information on which the indictment was drawn that it was claimed that the money alleged to have been stolen consisted of five, ten and twenty dollar bills, whereas later information, which he claimed the State had, showed that the money was of different denominations than those mentioned in the indictment, and that there would be a fatal variance between the proof and the allegations of the indictemnt. Judge Kimball did not think this objection material, he is credited with having said. Mr. Williams stated that following dismissal, the matter would be a subject for the investigation of the grand jury at the next term of court.

The Court, after hearing said motion, dismissed the case.

The defendant is represented by Judge J. E. Bradley and W. T. Jackson of Groesbeck, and attorneys Stubbs, Walters and Bolton, Mexia and Dick Mays of Corsicana.

As was explained in press reports when this shortage was announced about a year ago, the Farmer's State Bank suffered no financial loss, as the Farmers State Bank and all State banks are required to carry adequate insurance protection. The Mexia financial institution carried a blanket policy in the Aetna Insurance Company, which company promptly paid the Farmers Sate Bank as soon as the shortage was discovered.

LIEUT. GOV. T. W. DAVIDSON

Candidate for Governor of Texas who announced his entrance into the political campaign at his home town, Marshall, Thursday before thousands of his neighbors and friends. His campaign Manager is Hon. Lee Pierson, a prominent attorney of Mexia.

MARLAND OIL COMPANY DEAL WITH MORGAN IS ANNOUNCED

NEW YORK, Jan. 25.—President Marland of the Marland Oil Company announced the sale of three hundred thousand shares of stock to J. P. Morgan and company. Also sold option for 350,000 additional shares. "Substantial cash consideration" was given for the latter.

ALVIN BANKER FACES TRIAL ON FORGERY CHARGES

HOUSTON, Texas, Jan. 25.—Trial of J. P. Davis, former president of the Farmers State Bank of Alvin on a charge of forgery was expected to be concluded in District Court here today.

A motion of the defense to quash four of the five charges against the banker was upheld by the court and trial began late yesterday on the remaining charge.

The fifth charge concerns the using of the name of "Claude Rayborn" as security for a $4,000 note alleged to have been given by Davis. State investigators have not been able to locate Rayborn. The bank closed its doors last spring.

Petrograd Becomes Leninograd Honoring Leader of Bolshevist

MOSCOW, Jan. 25.—The Soviet assembly voted to change the name of Petrograd to Leninograd, in honor of their dead leader. Roads are blocked by thousands of peasants coming to pay him homage. It was necessary to postpone the funeral from Saturday to Sunday.

OLYMPICS FACE POSSIBILITY OF FAILURE TO OPEN

CHAMONIX, France, Jan. 25.—With the skating rink and snow sleds almost wrecked by thaws, opening of the Olympic games here tomorrow seems dubious.

The skating rink is soft and sloppy and slides for the bob-sled and ski contests have melted down almost to mud. Athletes of the nineteen nations entered in the winter sports have had practically no preparatory work and are willing to accept a postponement for better weather.

Officials of the French Olympic committee have had carloads of snow hauled down from the mountains to cover up the bare spots in the slide and while it has been made fairly good for practice, it hardly can be used for real competition.

In trials yesterday, the Norweigan ski jumpers made some jumps of more than 120 feet after taking off a jumping pitch with only a run of 100 feet.

Lid Clamped Down On Girls Home At So. Methodist Uni.

DALLAS, Jan. 25.—The lid has been clamped down on the Woman's Building at Southern Methodist University here by Mrs. S. J. Hay, dean of women.

To speed departing swains promptly at eleven p. m. and to awaken drowsey co-eds at seven in the morning Mrs. Hay has had eight additional electric bells installed in the dormitory.

"I have had the bells put there so that they can be heard from every part of the building," she said. "No excuses of 'I didn't hear the bell' will go."

Screens have been screwed in every window of the building too. They are to keep candy and fruit from being passed to the girls after the forbidden hour of eleven p. m.

"I'd beter not find any of these screens out", Mrs. Hay has warned.

Fell 20 Feet But Not Hurt

HALLETTSVILLE, Jan. 25.—When his train came to a sudden stop early one morning a few weeks ago, S. O. Johnson, brakeman on the San Antonio and Aransas Pass railway went to investigate.

Swinging from his caboose he stepped off into empty space. The train had stopped with the caboose over the Lavaca river. He fell more than a score of feet.

His injuries were not serious.

OPERATION IN CADDO PARISH TO BE TESTED

SHREVEPORT, La., Jan. 25.—The Louisiana Petroleum Company has set six-inch casing and will test within a few days in its Brewer No. 1, Caddo Parish, near Mira. It is down about 2,860 feet. It is a short distance from the Hiller well, which opened a new pool in North Caddo when brought in last year by the La-Tex Community Oil Company.

OIL COMPANY BUYS TRACT FOR $40,000

WICHITA FALLS, Texas, Jan. 25.—The R. M. F. Oil Company Thursday purchased a forty-acre tract of land from John Young in Archer County for a reported consideration of $40,000. The tract is composed of the south twenty acres in lot 18 and the north twenty acres in lot 12, secton 27, L. F. Wilson lands.

MYSTERY SHIP HOVERS IN FOG. WITH LIQUOR

GALVESTON, Texas, Jan. 25.—Hovering in the fog a few miles off the shore here, a "mystery ship" reported to be haevily laden with contraband liquor, occupied the attention of customs authorites here today.

Presence of teh ship was reported to Customs Superintendent H. F. Brunkenhouser by the captain of a vessel which passed the schooner off the Velasco coast.

Rumors regarding the expected arrival of a "rum" ship off the coast have been in circulation here for the past week.

Taxes Explained By the Research Division U. of T.

AUSTIN, Texas, Jan. 25.—"Tax Rates and Taxable Values," a bulletin issued yearly by the Bureau of Extension and the Government Research Division of the University of Texas is now being prepared by members of the government department and the Bureau of Extension.

To obtain material for this bulletin, a questionnaire is being sent out to city officials in all parts of the state. Some of the items included in this questionnaire are: assessed valuation for city purposes of all taxable real property, amount of increase or decrease over previous year, assessed valuation of taxable personal property and rate of city tax.

Seniors Easily Recognized Here

HOUSTON, Jan. 25.—There's no mistaking seniors of Rice Institute these days. With the beginning of the seniors have come into their own and are setting the style for the rest of the school.

Shortly after the first classes of the new term had been held members of the June graduating class appeared in black derbies and canes. Some even have aspired to mustaches.

BASKET BALL GAMES

The Westminster College Basket Ball squad will play the Meridian College squad in the college indoor court, the first game to be played this afternoon and the second Saturday morning. The Meridian team has already arrived and the game will start promptly at 3:30.

The Meridian girls team will play the Westminster girls this afternoon also.

SQUIBBS

Fashion is forever changing. Even Father Time can't keep up with the strides she makes.

Mr. Polly Tickk will entertain Senator Highbrow in his home during her stay in our city.

What do the people want? No one has ever been able to answer that question satisfactorily. You may get some idea from "Mrs. and Mr. Polly Tickk."

Mr. Eve Edwards has a most beautiful and up-to-date line of millinery. Men, don't fail to see his hats before buying. Babies checked at the door.

Government Shares Gains But Not In Losses Of Business

WASHINGTON, Jan. 25.—Replying in sharp letter to Senator Couzens of Michigan, Secretary Mellon declared Couzens could theorize all he pleased, but the fact is indisputable that high surtaxes is driving capital out of business and into idleness. Mellon denied Couzens' charge that "confidential treasury records" were used by Mellon in discussing Couzen's income and security holdings. "All business involves risk", Mellon's reply stated. "If business loses the government shares not at all in the losses. If business is successful the government takes more than half the gain. What can long withstand these odds?" Mellon told Couzens that neither "you nor any other man, once he gains wealth, cares to take risks on such terms."

THE WORLD IN TABLOID

AUSTIN, Texas, Jan. 25.—The passage of a rule by the State Railroad Commission prohibiting passengers on trains in Texas from removing their shoes, was urged in a letter to the Commission. The writer declared he had recently suffered while on a train because fellow passengers removed their shoes.

DALLAS, Texas, Jan. 25.—A mandate to the sheriff of Dallas county was issued by the criminal appelate court in the case of Blaine Dyer, condemned to death for murder of J. C. Gibson.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 25.—A $600,000 string of pearls, once the property of the late Czarina of Russia, was purchased by Senator Gerry of Rhode Island, for his wife, it was learned. It is the most perfect string of black pearls in the world. It was obtained through a Russian nobleman, reputed slayer of Monk Rasputin, adviser of the late czar.

INDIANAPOLIS, Jan. 25.—The immediate repeal of syndicalism laws in force in a number of states is demanded in a resolution adopted unanimously by the United Mine Workers convention. It declares that such laws are used to intimidate the progressive element of the working class.

HOUSTON, Texas, Jan. 25.—One hundred and eight sealed ballot boxes containing returns of the Senatorial election between Earle B. Mayfield and George E. B. Peddy left here last night for Washington where they will be counted by a Senate committee investigating Mayfield's election to the Senate.

The boxes contained returns from 108 precincts in 16 in South Texas counties.

HOUSTON, Texas, Jan. 25.—The funeral services for Arthur Lipper, president of the Lipper Motor Company and former city secretary, will be held from his home here at 4 p. m. today.

Lipper died in his apartment at the Rice Hotel yesterday after an illness of four days. He was prominently connected with a number of Houston's large business enterprises.

THE WEATHER

East Texas.—Tonight fair and colder, frost. Saturday fair and not so cold in northwest.

West Texas.—Tonight fair and colder. Saturday fair, not so cold in north.

Bureau of Census report on three-quarters of cities of United States thus far compiled show an increase in local tax levy of from 110 to 120 percent in last decade.

THIRD GEORGIA WOMAN HANGS FOR KILLING ANOTHER

ATLANTA, Ga., Jan. 25.—Mrs. Ida Hughes faced death by hanging today for shooting her mother-in-law.

Mrs. Hughes was found guilty of first degree murder by a jury here, the verdict automatically carrying the death sentence.

She will be the third white woman to be executed in Georgia. Two others who were sentenced received pardons.

Mrs. Hughes shot and killed Mrs. M. O. Hughes, her aged mother-in-law while the latter accompanied by two policemen, was searching a trunk for her possession. The defense contended that a warrant under which Mrs. Hughes was searching was illegal and that the daughter-in-law shot in defense of her home.

Frank Hughes, the condemned woman's husband, said he was sorry his mother was killed, but commended his wife's act.

FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Bible schoool at 9:45. If you are not attending a Bible School we want you to visit us Sunday.

Worship and preaching at 11:00 Subject: "According to your Faith be it done unto you."—Matt. 9:29.

Christian Endeavor at 6:30. You are invited to enjoy this service with the young people.

Preaching at 7:30. Subject: "The Call of the Hills."

Wednesday night is "Church Night." We have an interesting class in Bible study from 7:15 to 8:00. You are invited to join or visit this class. Choir practice following the Bible study period.—G. E. Reaves, Minister.

DENVER, Colo.—Mrs. Hazel Perkins won a preliminary divorce decree when she told the judge that in her four years of married life her husband had failed to kiss her.

Supply Company Truck Hits Car

A truck owned by the National Supply Company here ran into a car driven by Miss Margaret Yeldell in front of Mrs. John Yeldell's residence about nine o'clock this morning just as Miss Yeldell was backing out of her private drive onto the street. The car was turned completely around and Miss Zora Baker who was riding with Miss Yeldell was thrown out upon the pavement and bruised considerably.

According to spectators the truck was going at a high rate of speed.

A Years Work At Pasteur Institute

AUSTIN, Texas, Jan. 24.—The annual report of the Pasteur Institute shows five hundred and ninety-six patients given Pastuer treatment the past year. Three of these patients were bitten by humans. The remainder were bitten by cats, dogs, cows, horses mules, rats, skunks, and wolves One person is said to have received twenty bites. Of the total number four hundred and seventy two had positive evidence of rabies. The period of largest infection was March.

TANK BRSAKS AND 50,000 GALLONS OF OIL POUR OUT

AMARILLO, Texas, Jan. 25.—A pipe connection leading from the 150,000-gallon tank of fuel oil, which the Fort Worth & Denver Railroad uses for storage purposes, near the round house, broke during Tuesday night and 50,000 gallons of oil was poured out over the yards. Men worked yesterday and last night to salvage what they could and to clean off the ground as a precaution against fire.

"The greatest building year this country has ever had is rounding to a close, and construction under way and uncompleted, with contracts let, assures even greater expansion for 1924," says President Eppich of National Association of Real Estate Boards.

Faithful Dogs Saved A Family Then Perished

WACO, Texas, Jan. 24.—The barking of two pet dogs saved Mrs. Lud Williams, her nephew, Lud Lincoln and the latter's mother, from perishing in the flames of Mrs. Williams burning home here today.

Lud Lincoln carried his mother to safety down a rope improvised of bed sheets tied together. They were unable to save the dogs, which perished in the fire.

CONGRESS TODAY

Senate:

Senate not in session.

Teapot Dome inquiry continues.

House:

Considers Interior Department appropriation bill.

Muscle Shoals hearing continues.

Tax legislation in Ways and Means Committee considered.

MOBILE, Ala.—T. H. Blalack, ex-convict values his services at $1,000 daily. He sued for $14,000 for labor he performed in prison fourteen days after his sentence had expired.

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EUROPEAN EXPERIENCES PROVES NEED OF GOOD ROADS IN AMERICA.

The part that highways play in the progress of civilization is well shown by the experience of Europe during the past 2,000 years. From the golden milestone in Rome great highways were built to the remotest bounds of the Roman Empire. Over them went the Roman soldier, and with him law and order. Over them went the Greek schoolmaster, and with him schools and colleges. Over them went the missionary of the Cross, and with him the church, hospital, medical science, and improved agriculture.

Present day halls of justice, schools, colleges and universities, great churches and cathedrals, and the maximum of population, wealth and culture, are found along the highways thrown out from Rome.

On that fateful July day, when the German thrust the point of his wedge between the English and the French at Chateau Thierry, and there was not a man or a gun to oppose their march to the English Channel, it was the highways which saved Europe. Fifty miles away were forty thousand U. S. Marines and other troops and a thousand American-made motor trucks. Due to the splendid roads of France, they arrived on time, and the "shock-troops" of the German Army were hurled back. The motor truck and the roads of France saved civilization.

If for twenty centuries the system of highways has been the mold into which sixty generations of Europeans have been run and have taken shape, who can measure the influence on American life of a national highway system, gridironing this land between ocean and ocean and connecting all the county seats of all the States? When the rate of speed on Europe's roads was but three to six miles per hour for passengers and two miles per hour for freight, the highway determined twenty centuries of history. What will be the effect on American life with highways which speed up the movement of passengers to twenty-five or even forty miles an hour and of freight to twelve or even thirty miles per hour, at the same time reducing the cost?

WHY NOT "OUR" GOVERNMENT

Walter W. Head, President of the American Bankers Association, in an address before Chicago and Cook County Bankers Association said:

We speak reverentially of "Our Country." What do we mean? Are we thinking of the service which we owe to our country, of the love which we bear for it, or are we thinking only of the protection which our country can afford us, only of the benefit which we may derive from it? Are we thinking of what we may do for our country, or of what our country may do for us?

Much as we find reason to deplore high taxes, to lament the interference of government in business, to condemn radicalism, our duty to ourselves and our country requires positive as well as negative action, dynamic direction rather than static obstruction. We must be sonstructive.

As business men we go before Congress—with justification—opposing this bill or favoring that; as business men, we decry the acts of "politicians" who are are elected to office or who procure the election of others to office. Yet, as citizens of our country, do we fulfill the obligations incumbent upon us? Do we exercise our rgiht to vote—and when we do, do we always place intelligent, efficiency and patriotism in government ahead of every other consideration?

We cannot delegate our responsibility in government to some one else. The mainspring of a watch operates through a series of wheels and cogs to move the hands on the dial. City councils, legislatures, congress, executive officials carry on the government—but the mainspring of government is the individual citizen. The mainspring may transmit its impulse thru elected or appointed officials, but the mechanism will not operate if the mainspring is removed. There is no substitute for individual interest in government and individual responsibility for government.

IN THE PUBLIC INTEREST

President Coolidge when discussing the disposition of Muscles Shoals, in his message to Congress, and the manufacture of nitrates at these properties, considered the farmer when he recognized the necessity for cheap fertilizer and also the public interest when he said: "It seems desirable, in order to promote and protect the public welfare, to have adequate covenants that such experiments be made and carried to a successful conclusion.' Such covenants are the people's safeguard if the manufacture of cheap fertilizer is a main consideration for securing a valuable lease of this property from the government.

Many Masonic Anniversaries To Be Celebrated In January

Freemasons of Nation to Hold in Reverent Memory their Great Fraters

January is very rich in Masonic anniversaries. Robert Burns, the famous Scottish poet, who was recognized as the first poet laureate of Freemasonry, was born January 25, 1759. He was a member of St. Davids Lodge No. 174, Tarbolton, Ayrshire, Scotland. He wrote many poems of a Masons character and he participated in important Masonic gatherings in Scotland. A statue was unveiled to him in 1877 at Glasgow.

The famous German composer Wolfgang Mozart, who wrote the Masonic opera Zauberflote (The Magic Flute,) was born January 27, 1756 He was a member of Zur Gekronten Hoffnung Masonic lodge at Vienna.

Many of the figures conspicuous in the battle for liberty on both sides of the Atlantic in revolutionary days were active Manons. In England Edmund Burke, the Great English statesman, whose speech of conciliation proved him the friend of America and won for him the undying love of the American people, was a member of Jerusalem Lodge No. 44, Clerkenwell, London. He was born January 1, 1729.

On the same day of the year, 1735, Paul Revere was born. He was made a Mason in St. Andrews Lodge, Boston, on September 4, 1760; served as its junior warden in 1761; and its Master in 1770-71, 1777-9, 1781-2. He joined Rising States Lodge and became its Master in 1784. He was Grand Master of Masons of Massachusetts 1794-7.

Alexander Hamilton, who, as Secretary of the Treasury under President George Washington, organized the fiscal system of the young nation, was born at Charles Townn, in the pretty little island of Nevis, West Indies, January 11, 1757. While Hamilton's lodge membership is not known, his name is recorded among the visitors to American Union Lodge at Morristow, on December 27, 1779, which indicates that he was accepted as a brother in good standing by the Masons of that day.

John Hancock, whose bold signature upon the Declaration of Independence has become the symbol of splendid courage, was born January 12, 1737. He was made a Mason in Merchant's Lodge No. 277, Quebeck, in 1762, afterward affilating with the lodge of St. Andrew, Boston Mass.

The majority of the generals under Washington's command were Masons, among whom might be especially mentioned Benjamin Lincoln, who won loyalty and ability. He was a member of St. Andrews Masonic Lodge, Boston, having been complimented with the degrees without the usual fee.

Major General John Sullivan another of General Washington's famous aides, of Irish ancestry and a lover of freedom, died January 23, 1795. General Sullivan was raised a Mason at St. John's Masonic Lodge, Portsmouth, New Hampshire, in 1767. He served as Master of his lodge and in 1790 became First Grand Master of Masons of New Hampshire.

During the revolutionary campaigns financial support was as necessary as bayonets and guns, and Robert Morris, of the signers of the Declaration of Independance, contributed of his fortune to the patriots' cause and otherwise helped to finance the war. Morris was born January 20, 1734, and was made a Mason in colonial days in a Pennsylvania lodge.

John Marshall, an officer in the Continental Army, was made Chief Justice of the United States on January 20 1801. He was a member of Richmond Masonic Lodge No. 10, Richmond, Virginia, in 1793.

Another interesting character whose birthday is recognized is Charles S. Stratton, familiarly known throughout the World as "General Tom Thumb." He was an ardent and sincere Mason, and attained the Eminent degree of Knight Templar. Although Brother Stratton was less than forty inches tall, he was a "perfect man" in every respect, and his diminutive body held a mature mind and a generous soul. He never failed to visit a Masonic lodge when opportunity offered. His little wife was a member of the Eastern Star. He was born at Bridgeport, Conn., January 4, 1838.

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You simply must keep your kidneys active and clean and the moment you feel an ache or pain in the kidney region begin drinking lots of water. Also get about four ounces of Jad Salts from any good drug store here, take a tablespoonful in a glass of water before breakfast for a few days and your kidneys will then act fine. This famous salts is made from the acid of grapes and lemon juice, combined with lithia, and is intended to flush clogged kidneys and help stimulate them to activity. It also helps neutralize the acids in the urine so they no longer irritate, thus helping to relieve bladder disorders.

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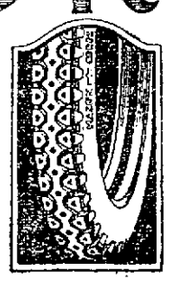

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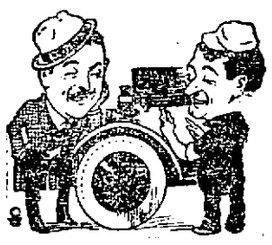

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PROSPECTS ARE ENCOURAGING IN THE OIL FIELDS

With prospects still encouraging for a wildcat and with oil prices certain to rise again soon, much good feeling exists throughout the district.

The Keechi well about 20 miles east of Teague in Freestone is said to have an oil showing in the bailer and is atttracting much interest upon the part of the fildcatters, scouts and geologists who have an eye on operations there. The Keechi is in the vicinity of the L. A. Smith test on the Edwards ranch.

The Humphreys test near Groesbeck is understood to be a very gratifying prospect. Work of standardizing the well which is now near the Woodbine depths for that territory is going forward at present.

The Carter and Lytle test, on the Hackney, between Mexia and Wortham, too, is an important test, said also to be encouraging.

In the Powell area, the No. 4 Boyd well of the Simms Oil Company was completed late Wednesday for about 2,500 barrels of oil a day. The well has a good sand thickness and bids fair to hold up to a good daily production. Its completion has a favorable bearing on additional deep pay territory in the west end of the big field and adds an impetus to activity in the direction of Angus.

Bailing is under way at the McDonald Brothers' Swink test, at Richland. Reports are that indications for oil are encouraging.

The sum of $7,660 was paid the County Tax Collector by the J. K. Hughes Developing Company as county and State taxes on the oil properties of that company in Navarro County.

Snshine folowed the rain off Wednesday, with the result that the oil field roads have started to dry up.

There is no substitute for individual interest in government and individual responsibility for government.

Letters from People

IN RE: SAFETY WORK IN THE OIL FIELDS.

The Executive Committee has voted in favor of this organization attempting safety work in the oil fields and refineries in the manner heretofore outlined. It now becomes necessary to ascertain how much support there will be for this work, as it is a part of the plan that it shall be separately financed.

It is also deemed necessary to hold a meeting of safety engineers and safety representatives of the various oil operators, refiners and pipelines to outline the program and policy andn the manner iin which the work will be put on. Accordingly, and at the suggestion of Mr. D. J. Wallace of the Humble Company, who has been very active in this work and who has served as President of the Texas Safety Council, a meeting has been called for January 26th at 10 A. M. at the Adolphus Hotel, Dallas, Texas.

It is suggested that every company interested in seeing that safety work is successfully carried on should send a representative to this meeting, at which time an advisory committee headed by a safety engineer will be selected to supervise the work and see that the greatest possible efficiency is obtained for the least possible financial outlay. Companies having safety engineers are especially urged to send them to this meeting. The work will then be organized for the five states.

In the meantime, we are sending your organization an application card requesting information as to the amount of support that will be forthcoming from your organization. It will be necessary for us to receive replies on this subject before we can make up our budget for the ensuing year.

Those who contemplate attending the Dallas meeting are advised that the Frisco train leaves Tulsa at 8:50 in the evening annd the Katy leaves at 9:00 in the evening, both of which arrive in Dallas early the next morning. Let's have a good attendance at the Dallas meeting from all of the five States in the Mid-Continent field.

Yours very truly
Mid-Continent Oil & Gas Ass'n.
By Harry H. Smith, Secretary.

OIL

I

Where the sands of the Woodbine twineth
'Neath however unfertile soil,
'Tis there my soul repineth
And prayerfully longs for oil.

II

Nor Powell nor Mexia nor Luling' fertile field
Will satisfy my longing for Nature's richest yield.
The Woodbine I am seeking for a Rockefeller gift
Lies underneath the structure of Milano's great uplift.

III

So here's to Fortune's wooing at Ashley Number One,
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A gusher of 5000 barrels and even more, we pray,
Will mark the celebration of Washington's natal day.

—Contributed.

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Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Wilson of Waca were visitors to the city Wednesday.

GAS WELL BLOWS OUT WRECKING THE DERRICK

BAY CITY, Matagorda Co., Texas, Jan. 25.—Activity in the old Markham field now is apparent. The Schulte Oil Company is drilling at 3,900 feet on the Hawk lease, with several showings of gas at different depths. The Rycade Oil Company is driling its second test east of the creek on the Hudson lease, and is down some 3,160 feet, having missed the salt dome found in its first test drilled. The Rycade also is spudding in on the Gray lease. The Schulte well, at over 4,100 feet, blew out with a terrific roar of dry gas, wrecking the derrick.

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ON THE WAY DOWN TOWN

(In Dallas)

By SLYBOOTS

Boy, page Mr. Webster, Mr. Noah Webster. This is what our mutual friend Garland Adair was doing in the Adolphus Hotel in Dallas last Wednesday afternoon. Garland as you know has taken on some of the nature of his great name-sake "Mark Anthony" and while he has all of Mark's historic ability, he has never assumed that effrontry and highbrowism that his illustrious forebear struggled along with. Garland is nothing if not modest and retiring—so just as Slyboots stepped up to the Bell Captain at the Adolphus to have some ice water put on tap, Garland was bowing in his elegant Southern style. The young lady was dazed in some manner and with Garland trying to apologize I thought I might help him over the rocks as I never forsake a friend in such circumstances for I always figure I will enjoy taking up the subject where my friend left off. But this was a most embarrassing moment in Garland's young life and I thought that I would prove myself a hero even if the Carnegie spy couldn't locate me. As I stepped up Garland with that blush on his cheeks that cometh not from a drug store, gave me a smile of helplessness and I then rushed to the rescue. I knew that Garland was away from home—that his thoughts are constantly on Home and Family and I felt that I might in some way stem the tide for him and this is what he says to me: "Sly, have you a few moments to spare," I nooded, "then throw me a life-line," he continued. "Just as I stepped up to the desk here to make an inquiry about you I heard some one singing and the young lady happeneed not to be there at the desk and as she came back to the desk from behind the letter boxes I was waiting and asked her if she was The Diva—referring to the music of course—and she said, 'No, I don't like to swim." So Sly, I haven't enough muscle in my jaw—you whisper gently that Divas Sing."

Just as I finished the explanation to the Young Cheerful—Joe Arrington walked up and wanted to know if I had any ice water in my room. I told him the last ice water I had gave me the croup and I was afraid to try it again but if he insisted I would take Garland away from the swirling crowd and get him out of the desert.

Garland then said: "Boys, I have read of the Burning Sands—I have pictures at home of the Pyramids and I have studied the Sphinx—but an Oasis I have never rested in—waft me thither and let the Balm of Baccus cool my parched tonsils." Here the story ends. For Garland did not return on the night train with us.

But on my way to the station in Dallas I encountered another friend of the By-Gones, Ben Stollenwerck. Ben, as you all know, never says a word—but just here let me pull this out of my Cedar Chest—it is reported that the Rotary Club of Mexia will soon install a Fresh Air meter for all speakers—this bars Ben—but to go on with the story, as it was a balmy night and the stars were making eyes at their mates—O, no! the Stars in the Blue above is what I refer to. I decided I would walk down as I had enjoyed a rather heavy bowl of Chilly Mac with Joe Arrington. So as Joe and I were passing the intersection of Commerce and Lamar I saw a crowd in the middle of the street—several cops and a considerable traffic jam. You know me for excitement, so I rushed on out where the smoke was the thickest, with Joe right behind. And what do you think it was all about? There was Ben, our good silent friend of the Rotary and Sunday school with his hat clutched in his right hand and his tongue wagging in High. A taxi driver was Ben's piece de resistance and there beside the taxi was a most serious argument. Ben had called the taxi at the Adolphus and loaded in all by his lonely. He told the driver "to the station". They had gone but half a block when Ben called to the driver to turn on the music. Of course this was all new to the taxi so he thought that Ben had been out with the Snow Birds and paid no attention to him. Again Ben yelled—"Turn on that durn music I tell you." By the way, when Ben says Durn that means his pulse is fast. On the taxi sped down the slippery way of Commerce and by the time they had reached Lamar where we found them Ben had knocked out one of the glass partitions separating him and the driver and says, "Turn on that Music I tell you or I'll get out and walk." With that the taxi stopped and decided he would see what was the conversation running to. It was then that Joe and I arrived on the battle field and what do you think we heard Ben say—"Fellows, I took this car with the full intentions of hearing music as I rode along from out that Music Box up there in front and all I could see or hear was the little red flag with no stars or stripes in it and a Bee a Buzzing." Ben says he'll board with me if I tell the rest. Bye.

"Someday I am going to demand that the producers give me a chance to dress up," said Hunter, "in this picture I do not even get to the stiff-collar stage, but my time will come someday and I'll show 'em just how good I look in a dress suit."

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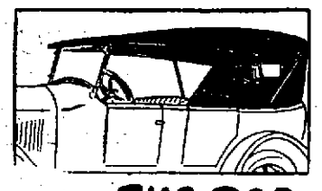

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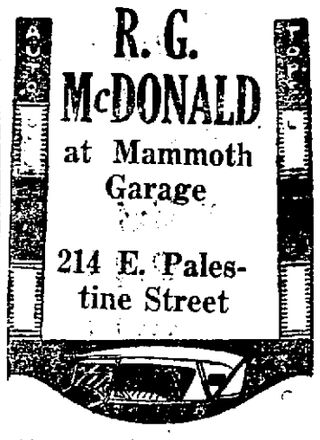


KI-MOIDS
QUICK RELIEF
For INDIGESTION

RHEUMATISM
Leaves You Forever

Every druggist in this county is authorized to say to every rheumatic sufferer that if a full pint bottle of Allenrhu, the sure conqueror of rheumatism, does not show the way to stop the agony, reduce swollen joints and do away with even the slightest twinge of rheumatic pain, he will gladly return your money without comment.

Allenrhu has been tried and tested for years, and really marvelous results have been accomplished in the most severe cases where the suffering and agony was intense and piteous and where the patient was helpless.

Mr. James H. Allen, the discoverer of Allenrhu, who for many years suffered the torments of acute rheumatism, desires all sufferers to know that he does not want a cent of any one's money unless Allenrhu decisively conquers this worst of all diseases, and he has instructed druggists to guarantee it as above in every instance. All druggists can supply you.—(Adv.)

G. E. Anderson was here Wednesday from Waco.

A CHANGE MEAT from SKINNER'S The Superior MACARONI

Try Our NOONDAY LUNCHES

People tell us they are the best they have tried. We know that our customers keep coming, so they must be pretty well pleased.

Eat your lunch with us tomorrow.

All kinds of hot and cold drinks served.

CHOCOLATE SHOPPE
Here to Please You.

ALCOHOL
FOR YOUR RADIATORS
GLASS
FOR YOUR
COUPE DOORS - WINDSHIELDS
WINDOW GLASS

J. R. NEECE LUMBER CO.
107 East Palestine St., PHONE 35

CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday.

Junior Dramatic Club.

Bridge Club mects.

A. Garland Adair returned last night from a two days business visit to Dallas.

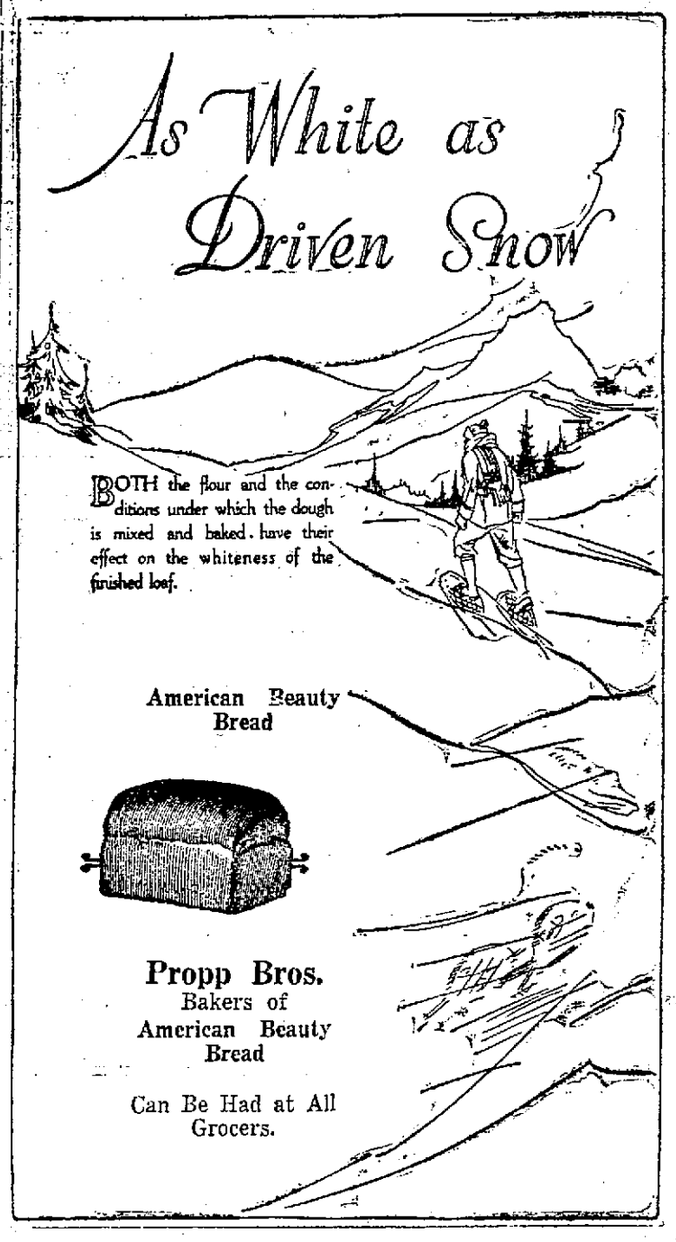
Simple Colds indicate a need of SCOTT'S EMULSION to build resistance

J. E. Johnson of Orange was a Wednesday visitor to the city.

VICKS OVER 17 MILLION JARS USED YEARLY
VAPORUB
For All Cold Troubles

Odd Shape Watch Crystals Fitted
$1.00
DIAMOND JEWELRY CO.
103 So. Sherman

As White as Driven Snow



BOTH the flour and the conditions under which the dough is mixed and baked have their effect on the whiteness of the finished loaf.

American Beauty Bread

Propp Bros.
Bakers of
American Beauty Bread

Can Be Had at All Grocers.

IF at any time you need a closed car

Cars Meet All Trains Phone 488

NEW FORDS AND DODGES
for Local Driving
Dodge Sedan 50¢ per city trip
New Fords $1.50 per hour
JACK RIDDLE
In Front of Majestic Hotel

WANTED
E. L. Smith Stock
Quote me your lowest price.
GEO. A. LEE
114 Railroad St., Mexia, Texas
Phone 146

Attention Housekeepers

Buy your heating stoves NOW

I have a large stock of all kinds of Heaters, Cook Stoves, Dishes, Aluminum Vessels of all kinds. In fact, I carry most anything to be found in a modern hardware store for the housekeeper.

Attention Farmers

I sell the celebrated line of Oliver Implements, Peter Schuttler Wagons, Birdsell Wagons, Hercules Bug gies. I am headquarters for the good old handmade harness that wears like a pig's nose. The best collars, bridles and lines as cheap as good ones can be sold.

All Kinds of Guns and Ammunition.

F. R. KLOTZ
HARDWARE
209 E. Main St. Phone 387

Barker Furniture
Stoves and Racket Goods
AND BARKER'S FISH MARKET WILL MOVE
Feb 1st. to 208 E. Main
One Half Block West from Present Location.

WHAT ABOUT THEM?

There's no distress like widowhood! Particularly is this true where no money or estate is left for her surviving days.
Do you want to leave your widow, your mother or your children in that position? Are you going to impose upon their inexperience?
Come to us and let's talk it over. Let your Life Insurance policy be the protection policy. We have many interesting plans at moderate costs.

LIFE - FIRE - TORNADO - AUTOMOBILE COMPENSATION

I specialize in insurance on country property such as barns, dwellings and feed stuff.

TOM L. COX
ROOM 4 WHITE BUILDING

STUARTS ELECTRICIANS AUTO SUPPLIES RADIO SUPPLIES
Commerce At McKinney
TEL 366

Huge Volume Of Business Shows What May Be Done With Attention To Detail

The Mexia Battery and Tire Company is one of Mexia's leading and mammoth institutions which is contributing to a bigger and better Mexia.

This company is making this contribution not only in magnitude of business done, scope of territory served, addition to the "tin bucket brigade" here, but also in interest and co-operation extended those campaigns and those causes which are essential to a growing, progressive and expanding community.

$250,000 Business

During the year, this concern here handled almost a quarter of a million dollars worth of business, which in itself is a volume of sufficient magnitude to make the biggest concerns of the kind "sit up and take notice." Such a feat was duplicated in 1923 only in a very few instances and only in the larger cities of the state of Texas. The feat also shows that "big business" may be done in a city of 10,000 population and encourages every institution here of every kind and description to study the methods and policies of the Mexia Battery and Tire Company and thus improve their own business relations, serve the section in the largest possible way, and, at the same time,

Territory Served

The institution serves a large trade locally and is known and patronized beyond the Trinity river to the east; to Temple to the west; almost to Dallas to the north, and as far south as Bryan. This extensive business has been built because of the service, quality and courtesy found within the walls and at the entrances of the concern and because of the same sort of treatment and service rendered on the streets and roads when emergency calls are responded to. Almost daily cross country tourists come into town looking for the locations of one of the two stations of the Mexia Battery and Tire Company, which they have heard of many miles away. Jim Prickett, President of the company, knowing the value of advertising, both in newspapers and on the road, has placed signs along the highways leading here so that they who run may read. For eighty miles in all directions, the advertisements of this Mexia concern are to be seen along the side of the roads. 350 signs were placed within the past year in the endeavor of this company to build a bigger and surer foundation for permanent growth. As the years of the future unfold, this policy, Mr. Prickett states, will be maintained and indeed, no institutions here face a brighter period. With the automobile business practically in its infancy, there's no limit to the possibilities of the concern here. On and on, it will thus help build a bigger and better community and serve a wider territory and additional thousands of satisfied customers.

Tin Bucket Brigade

The Mexia Battery and Tire Company has made every effort necessary to take care of the huge business and numerous transactions of the year. Mr. Prdickett has figured all along that to attend to the business involved properly and with due courtesy there should be a force of competent workmen adequate to meet the need, sufficient to give the time necessary to every deal and ready on short notice to serve the trade. This explains the large number of employees, the experts numbered in them, and the size of the pay roll, which places the institution among the foremost in the section. The pay roll for 1923 amounted to $32,191 and was distributed among 22 employees, including the officers of the comapny.

All of this, according to Mr. Prickett is spent right here in Mexia, as the workmen and their families reside here, patronize Mexia institutions and contribute to Mexia's growth. They are as follows:

J. W. PRICKETT
J. W. CONWAY
JOHN PRICKETT
C. J. McELROY
BLAKE CRIDER
E. T. WARD
J. V. HARWOOD
A. J. PETERS
W. E. THOMAS
E. HARGROVES
W. F. HUGHES
J. D. DILLARD
(Colored)
E. BLUITT
K. BLUITT
HENRY DIXON
WALTERS LEE
GEORGE DAVIS

Contributing vastly to the courteous service extended, every other Thursday night the force gathers around a banquet table for the purpose of discussing the problems of the various departments and how all may cooperate to the advantage of the public served. This system was inaugurated early in 1923 and proved so effective that Mr. Prickett has insisted on continuing it to date and will continue it throughout the year and future of the concern.—Adv.

Two Years Old

It was in April, 1922, that the company was incorporated under the laws of the State of Texas. J. W. (Jim) Prickett is President of the institution and Blake Crider, Secretary and Treasurer.

About that time station number 3, was built at the southwest corner of Tabaine and McKinney streets and due to the war of number 1 station which opens on Commerce and is at the northwest corner of Commerce and McKinney streets. Some 20,000 square feet of floor space is provided by these stations.

The number 3 station is 87½ by 115 feet and the number 1 is 25 by 115, with second decks in both houses which enlarge the available space for the display and storage of the treasure-ous stock kept at all times and which represents the leading lines of tires, tubes, accessories, etc., carried.

Headquarters are maintained in number 1 station.—Adv.

B. & T. COMPANY OFFERS MANY SERVICES TO PUBLIC

In station number 3 of the Mexia Battery and Tire Company a department is maintained for washing and greasing cars. John Prickett and Blake Crider are in charge in day time and J. V. Harwood at night. Storage is here also provided for about 60 automobiles and every night finds a great number left with them for mere storage or to be washed and greased while their owners sleep.

Henry Dickson, colored, is foreman of the wash rack. When he turns a car loose, it is sure to please the customer as he never releases one until it is spotless. Moreover, the job is always done when the contract calls for.

The greasing rack enables the car to be greased without the workmen having to lie down under it. He can ughstand up and give every part of the car attention, which assures a thorough job.

Mr. Prickett states that they recommend the draining of the crank case every 500 miles. No charge is made for draining, the only cost to the customer is for the new lubricant used.

The well known, tried and trustworthy Mobiloils are handled, of all grades.

Texas and Pierce gasoline is sold. According to officials and employees of the institution, these have been found to give the highest degree of satisfaction to the customer. The drive in stations enable the customer to drive right up to the visible oil dispensers, which are air driven. When a car approaches, before it comes to a standstill, some one is sure to be right there ready to give water, or air, free or to fill the order for oil, gasoline or to render whatever service necessary for the convenience of the driver.—Adv.

Vulcanizing Done Right and Quickly At Mexia B. & T.

E. T. Ward, is in charge of the modern vulcanizing plant, maintained by the Mexia Battery and Tire Company. The plant is one of the best in the state, equipped with the latest machinery and Mr. Ward is an expert in that department. It is located in station number 1 of the Mexia Battery and Tire Company and adjoins Station number 3. Casings, from the smallest to the largest, are vulcanized perfectly and in record time, every day by this concern. A street and road service is maintained which responds quickly to calls from drivers who encounter flat tires in their journeys. This service is at a very small cost to the customer and is meeting with popular approval and demand.—Adv.

Baloon Firestone Tires to Be Seen Soon in This City

The Mexia Battery and Tire Company have in stock one of the largest lines of tires and tubes carried by any automobile tire and accessory company in this section of Texas. Goodyear products are handled and for all sizes and makes of cars and trucks. The largest tires are for trucks which are 44-10 and one of them alone weighs between 400 and 500 pounds. These tires are fabric and cord and have the company behind them.

J. W. Prickett, President, states that in a short while baloon tires will also be added.

Concerning baloon tires the following letter has been attracting attention, written by Barney Oldfield:

"I left Kansas City on December 3, under adverse weather and road conditions, in a car equipped with Firestone gum dipped balloon tires. The first day, I made approximately 300 miles in the mud. The second day, I again battled the mud for a distance of about 300 miles. The third day, I made only 200 miles in the mud. The fourth day, I encountered mountainous and desert roads.

All of this was negotiated without chains, and I passed many cars going in the same direction, which had chains, and were having considerable trouble.

After leaving El Paso, I had fairly good roads to Phoenix, Ariz.; but after leaving Phoenix, I encountered rough and sand desert roads. I would pull out of the ruts and go around cars in soft sand. This I was never able to do before with the ordinary high pressure tires.

On my arrival in Los Angeles, my speedometer showed a total of 2120 miles, and my tires did not look as though they had gone over 250 miles; in fact, they showed no wear whatsoever. Furthermore, I found that my car was in perfect condition as to rattles and loose connections, the balloon tires having absorbed most of the vibration. You know me. (Signed) Barney Oldfield." (adv.)

GOODYEAR
Means Good Wear

$1 and 50c PROFIT
For 20 Days Only

Beginning The Morning of
JAN. 20 —Lasting to— FEB. 10

We will sell any Goodyear Tire or tube or any other tire we have
at Cost Plus $1 on TIRES Cost Plus 50c on TUBES

-Remember the dates: Jan. 20th to Feb. 10th. It will be impossible to sell tires at the prices mentioned below for any longer than the 20 days.

Spring will soon be here and it will pay you to lay in a years supply at these prices

-As we are expecting tires and tubes to make a big advance every day. With the price of rubber and cotton advancing they are bound to. Tires and tubes are cheaper than they ever were in history. With rubber and cotton higher, they are bound to advance.

We think the GOODYEAR is the very best tire made but if there is any other tire you really like better, we will get them for you and add only a profit of $1 to the cost

-A tire is low-priced only when it gives you great mileage. That is the whole foundation of the popularity of the Goodyear Tires, the largest selling tire in the world.

A Few of Our prices On Goodyears For The 20 Days

CLINCHER FABRIC TIRES

	Goodyear Pathfinder	Goodyear All Weather Non Skid	Goodyear Regular Gray Tubes	Goodyear Extra Heavy Tourist Tubes
30x3	$6.05	$ 9.20	$1.65	$2.10
30x3½	6.90	10.65	1.75	2.40

CORD TIRES FOR CLINCHER WHEELS

30x3½	$8.35	$12.10	$1.75	$2.40

30x3½ Goodyear Extra Heavy Tourist 6 Ply Cords. Only $15.75. This tire will give you unlimited service.

CORD TIRES FOR STRAIGHT SIDE RIMS
Note Prices

	Goodyear Pathfinder Non Skid	Goodyear Wingfoot Non Skid	Goodyear Famous Non Skid All Weather Tread	Goodyear Regular Gray Tubes	Goodyear Extra Heavy Tourist Tubes
30x3½	$9.80	$12.75	$14.40	$1.75	$2.40
31x4	12.95	16.15	19.40	2.65	3.15
32x4	13.75	17.85	21.35	2.75	3.30
33x4	14.10	18.40	22.05	2.95	3.40
32x4½		23.10	27.65	3.70	4.20
33x4½		23.60	28.30	3.80	4.30
34x4½		24.15	29.00	4.00	4.50
33x5		29.65	34.40	4.65	5.15
35x5		30.10	36.20	4.90	5.40

You will not only be buying the very best tire made but you will be buying them from a firm that has been in the tire business seven years in Mexia. A $100,000.00 corporation financailly able to back up every sale and statement we make.

We endeavor to at all times to never let our service vary, only for the better.

Drive to either of our stations for your wants in new tires and tubes as well as tire repairing. You will find at all times a trained man ready and willing to give you real service. No charge for applying new tires and tubes.

If you cannot drive or come in to get your part of these rare bargains, mail us your check or money order stating correctly the sizes and kind you want and they will be shipped the same day order is received.

You are entitled to service, quality and courtesy—See that you get it.

Station Number One Phone Number is 22 *Station Number Three Phone Number 470*

REMEMBER THE DATES JANUARY 20 TO FEBRUARY 10TH.

GOODYEAR

Mexia Battery & Tire Co, Inc.
Mexia, Texas

With all this business, demanding incessant study, thought and attention President Prickett is never too busy to help his fellow citizens in their endeavor to promote the common interests and general welfare of the community. A member of the Mexia Chamber of Commerce, Lions club and other civic organizations here, and an official in some of them, he is just as enthusiastic about their undertakings as he is his own, giving of his time unselfishly and gladly on many occasions when men are wanted to serve on a solicitation committee or to counsel together for the benefit of the whole.

This two year old concern is, indeed, a young giant in the industrial life of Mexia. The president himself is only a young man of twenty six years.

With the same persistence enthusiasm and personality behind every institution comprising the commercial and business life of Mexia, this community would soon be known for its progressive spirit as it is now known for its vast oil domain. The future of Mexia, with such citizens directing its destiny, like Arthur Brisbane said of Texas Sunday, "is glorious beyond our feeble imagination."

Although in business here for six years, it was not until two years ago that the Mexia Battery and Tire Company reached out from the shadows of one roof, built another place, added to its stock and assets and incorporated for $100,000.—Adv.

U. S. Autos Insured For $294,000,000.00

Full Insurance Would Cost Amazing Amount of Over Two Billion Dollars

New "Safety First" Tire Brings Comfort to Motorists Who Are Not Insured

In 1924, automobile owners in the United States spent approximately $294,000,000 for automobile insurance. This is an average of only $21 a year for every motor vehicle in this country, or about one-seventh of the cost of full insurance for a medium-priced car in New York, for example, in which city $150 covers just a moderate amount of public liability insurance, as well as the usual theft and fire protection.

In other words, says D. M. Mason, General Manager of the Mason Tire & Rubber Co., millions of automobile owners evidently carry no insurance at all, and additional millions merely protect themselves against theft and fire, and some property damage, while they neglect entirely the vastly more important hazard of personal liability.

Insurance Costs $3.00 a Week!

In most cases, this is due to the heavy cost of automobile insurance which runs about three dollars a week for the average car owner. Because of this lack of insurance, hundreds of thousands of motorists use their cars only in fine weather and on good roads. They prefer to walk or to use public service transportation rather than take unnecessary chances in rain, snow, at night and in very heavy traffic.

New Tire Decreases Skidding

With the introduction of the new Mason "Safety First" tire, however, it is no longer necessary for automobile owners to expose themselves to risk or to deny themselves the use of their cars on slippery roads. The Mason "Safety First" tire has 207 scientifically designed "safety grips" which resist with amazing tenacity any tendency to swerve or sideslip. It is also buttressed with 138 sidewall wedges which give added traction in the slushy ruts of country roads and afford excellent protection against rut and curbstone scuffing and from damage due to driving on street-car tracks in the city.

Texas Company To Drill Another Test

Groesbeck Journal

The Texas Company has completed the derrick and moved a string of cable tools to the location of their Stroud No. 4 well and will probably begin drilling operations this week.

The new location of the Texas Company is said to be about 1500 feet southwest of the No. 3 well which was completed last summer. The indications are that this company believes the oil bearing sand will be located on the esat side of the old shallow gas area and that they will make every effort to locate it. This well will be watched with the closest interest when operations begin.

The Holton well of the Pure Oil Company three miles west of Groesbeck, will be used as a gas well for the time being. This company is expected to begin other operations in this territory within the near future, however no official announcement of such has been made.

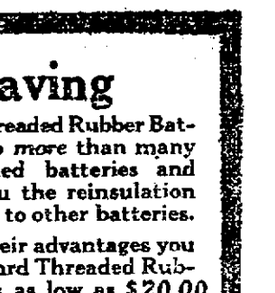
NOTICE

Springfield Lodge No. 74
A. F. and A. M.
Colon Phillips, W. M.

Called meeting tonight for work in Masters degree. Visitors always welcome.

NOTICE

Patterson Jewelry Co. is now located, next door to Karner & Phillips. Not connected with repair shop in Shulz building in any way.



We Launder with Care The Clothes You Wear

You want them to look just so. Men and women who seek care in Laundry work should investigate ours. You will notice a higher quality in all our work—particularly shirts—fine shirt waists and other garments that require skill and care.

Let us call for your Laundry this week and we'll show you what high class Laundering and excellent service we offer.

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NEW - WAY LAUNDRY

Getting Too Fat? Try This - Reduce!

People who don't grow too fat are the fortunate exception. But if you find the fat accumulating or already cumbersome, you will be wise to follow this suggestion, which is endorsed by thousands of people who know. Ask your druggist for Marmola Prescription Tablets and follow directions. One dollar is the price the world over. Get them from your own druggist or send price direct to Marmola Co., 4612 Woodward Ave., Detroit, Mich. By doing this you will be safe from harmful drugs and be able to reduce steadily and easily, without starvation diet or tiresome exercise.—(Adv.)

Standard Oil Company of New Jersey in "The Lamp," its official publication, states that on October 1 there were in storage in United States 475,000,000 barrels crude oil, which, together with by-products, represent tied-up capital of $1,000,000,000, entailing an annual charge of $150,000,000 for interest and loss.

LEFT HER HAT BUT NOT THE CASH

DALLAS, Jan. 25.—Thomas Chrismas is looking for a woman without a hat. When he finds her he wants to find out what became of his $55 that was missing about the time he found the hat.

Chrismas says the woman awakened him when she ran from the room leaving her hat behind. His purse containing $55 was missing when he investigated.

Examinations are now closing in the schools and many transfers to higher grades will be the result, and happiness in proportion.

J. D. Arrington paid Dallas a business visit Wednesday.

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

Having this day purchased the casing pulling holdings of Homer C. Thrift in the Mexia field and surrounding districts, we are taking this method of announcing to the public that we are assuming the responsibility for all obligations, including the payment of all bills presentable and approved from date, accruing from the operation of the machine known as the "Thrift Machine" now operating in the Mexia field.

We wish to further advise that the business will continue to be conducted under the same capable management as directed by Mr. Thrift, and that we will appreciate a continuance of the support extended him by the various firms operating in the above mentioned districts.

Our policy of "service above self" will continue to be maintained as here-to-fore and we take this opportunity of thanking the public for the splendid support extended us during the two years that we have operated here, and in soliciting your continued patronage during the coming year we feel that through the consolidation of the interests of the Thrift Company with the casing pulling interests of the Mexia Torpedo Company that we shall be in a better position than formerly to serve you efficiently.

Again thanking you for the patronage extended us in the past and soliciting whatever work you may have in our line in the future, we remain,

Yours for service,
Mexia Torpedo Company,
Signed: C. L. Brown, Mgr. 22-7

FOR CONSTIPATION

Black-Draught Recommended by an Arkansas Farmer Who Has Used It, When Needed, for 25 Years.

Hatfield, Ark.—Mr. G. W. Parsons, a well-known farmer on Route 1, this place, says: "I keep Black-Draught in my home all the time. It is the best all-around medicine I have ever found for the liver and for constipation. We began using it 25 or more years ago and have used it whenever needed since. I have never found any other medicine as good for constipation, and that was what I suffered with till I began using Black-Draught. Black-Draught corrected this condition, and now we use it for the liver and for indigestion—a tight and sluggish feeling after meals, for bad taste in the mouth and sour stomach.

"My wife uses it for headache and biliousness. It sets on our shelf and we don't let it get out. It has been a great help to us. I believe a great deal of sickness is caused by hurried eating and constipation, and Black-Draught, if taken right, will correct this condition."

Get *Thedford's*, the original and only genuine Black-Draught powdered liver medicine. Sold everywhere. NC-150

A CALOMEL YOU CAN SAFELY TAKE

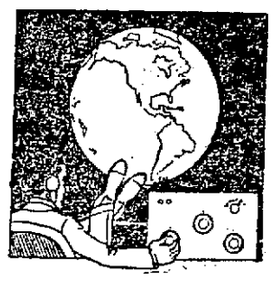
Harshness of Ordinary Calomel Eliminated in Pepsinated Calomel, New English Calomel Treatment for Torpid Liver.

How many times have you heard that "calomel is the only sure way to reach the liver?" Your grandfather knew it, your mother knew it, your doctor knows it—you know it yourself! Calomel is the certain way to stimulate liver to healthy activity, but ordinary calomel is so harsh in its consequence that you can hardly be blamed for not wanting to take it.

There is no reason to deprive yourself of the fine effects of calomel since the discovery of Pepsinated Calomel. It is the best imported English calomel treated with pepsin. It has all the cleansing power of English Calomel, (recognized as the standard of purity), with the soothing qualities of pepsin so that you get the full benefit of calomel without griping, nausea or discomfort. Pepsinated Calomel is especially fine for children. They willingly take it when they cannot be bribed into taking disagreeable medicine.

Bennett's Drug Store and all reliable druggists recommend and guarantee Pepsinated Calomel to bring relief between sundown and sunup or your money refunded. Try it—we guarantee you'll feel better tomorrow. (Adv.)

The World's Music In a Whirl of a Dial!



—Tune in on any Point of the compass with one of our Complete Radio outfits.

—We will install the set you pick and show you how easy it is to operate.

Ask to see one of these sets.

Neutrodyne 5 Tube.....$150.00
Grebe C. R. 9.....$75.00
De Forest M. R. 6.....$75.00

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We Build and Repair All Makes of Sets.
108 E. Commerce Phone 724

IT PAYS TO ADVERTISE!

LUCK

Ability and will, courage and skill—this is what makes up what is called "luck."

It takes will to deny ourselves certain pleasures, certain unnecessary things, but in the long run, if we do deny ourselves, we fall into the "lucky" class.

It may take a little self denial for you to start a bank account, but we believe you are one of the "luck" ones who is going to do it.

Come in today.

FARMERS STATE BANK

We Want

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At 117 E. Commerce St.

This institution is always pleased to extend every accomodation and service possible consistent with the sort of conservative banking you demand. Bank your money with us.

PRENDERGAST-SMITH NATIONAL BANK

The Old Reliable

A Clear Saving

We do high-class generator work.

Phone 661

Willard Threaded Rubber Batteries *cost no more* than many wood-insulated batteries and they save you the reinsulation bill common to other batteries.

With all their advantages you can buy Willard Threaded Rubber Batteries as low as $20.00

Reliable Willard Wood-Insulated Batteries—as fine wood-insulated batteries as you can buy—$32 and up.

Carter Battery Co.
Cor. Paris and Commerce

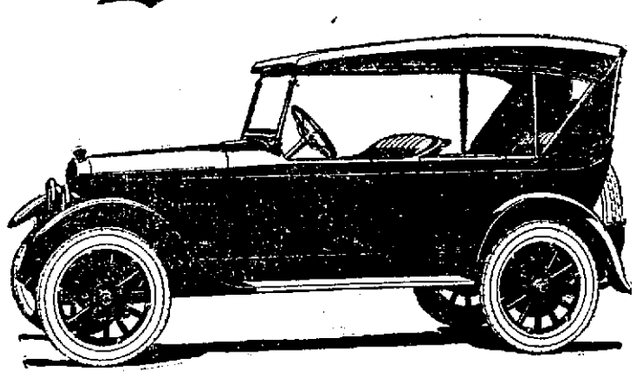
Willard STORAGE BATTERIES

THE CITY NATIONAL BANK Mexia, Texas

Member Federal Reserve System
STRONG—LIBERAL

We respectfully solicit the accounts of those who appreciate a careful and efficient service and safe and conservative banking.

Studebaker



LIGHT-SIX TOURING

The unprecedented popularity of the Studebaker Light-Six can be traced to the fact that it represents a degree of automobile value that the public has sought for years.

It is built COMPLETE in the great Studebaker factories.

By manufacturing complete motors, transmissions, axles, frames, bodies, tops, castings, forgings, and stampings, parts—makers' profits are eliminated from costs, and one profit only is included in Studebaker prices.

Phone or call for a demonstration.

MEXIA MOTOR CAR CO., Inc.
500 East Commerce Street—Phone 213
MEXIA, TEXAS

OVER THE PHONE

One of the ways in which folks enjoy purchasing their drug store goods from us. Telephoning your order for your drug store wants is one of the most desirable conveniences we offer and we advise you to take advantage of it. Coupled with our very prompt delivery service, telephoning to our drug store is a time and labor saving habit. Cultivate it. No extra charge for this extra service.

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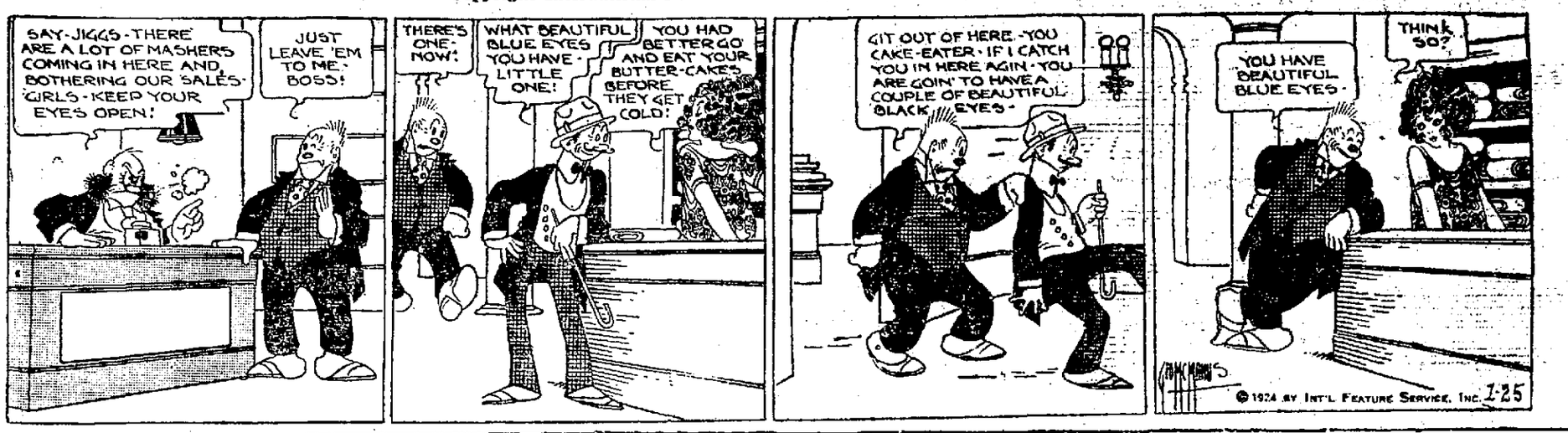
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HELP WANTED—A

WANTED—Confinement cases by experienced nurse. Best of reference. Phone 557-J. 18A30

LOST AND FOUND—D.

LOST—Old time Roman gold wrist watch. Name and address in back of case. Reward. Box X, care News. 18D4

LOST—Very valuable bunch of keys on Groesbeck and Mexia road, between my home on old reunion road and Mexia. Three Studebaker keys, two Yale keys and several others. Valuable reward offered. Please notify David Ross, Route 1, Box 43, Mexia. 18D7

LOST—A large leather military case on Mexia-Wortham road. Phone 679-J or call at 600 East Palestine street for reward. 22D2

LOST—Ladie's brown fox fur in National Theatre. Phone 146 for reward. 20D7

WANTED TO BUY—E

WANT TO BUY—J. K. Hughes Developing Company, E. L. Smith Oil Company, Mexia Heart of Pool Royalty Company, Powell Five Hundred. Jesse McLendon, room 1 McLendon building, Mexia, Texas. 18E30

WANTED—Used galvanized pipe for water line, size ¾ or one inch, also two-inch. Buildings and derricks to wreck. R. Bates, Groesbeck. Phone 65. 22E3

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WE SELL and exchange all kinds of furniture, floor covering, stoves, and kitchen hardware. M. Langston, new and second hand furniture. Phone 56. May 10tf.

REAL ESTATE—I

FARM FOR RENT—146 acres one mile S. E. of Mexia. Want money rent. About 100 acres in cultivation. One set improvements. J. R. Thompson, Jr., 119 E. 8th St., Dallas, Texas. 2011

FOR SALE—J

FOR SALE—Apartment house completely furnished, for information phone 667-W. 22J7

BARGAINS—Wardrobe Exchange—Dresses $2.00; Coat Suits $7.00; Coats $4.00. All kinds of dressmaking. 213 N. McKinney St. 20J7

BIG SHIPMENT fresh stock Firestone tires, cords and fabrics received today (Monday, 21st.) None better, prices right. Phone 711. Ben W. Jackson, corner W. Carthage and Denton streets. 21J4

FOR SALE—A good 50 acre sandy land farm. Well improved. 35 acres in cultivation. Good for cotton, corn, potatoes, fruit and vegetables. F. B. Bond, Point Enterprise. Route 4, Mexia. 22J10

HOUSES FOR RENT—K

FOR RENT—Six room house, lights, bath and water; near high school on South McKinney. Apply C. J. Sterling 503 South Canton. 13K4

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FOR RENT—Desirable two and three room apartments, conveniently located, all modern conveniences, lights, gas and water, furnished. Reasonable rates. Gates Apartments, 834 East Commerce St. Telephone 633. 8L26

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NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE OF PERSONAL PROPERTY

The State of Texas, County of Limestone.

By virtue of an order of sale issued out of the Honorable 87th District Court of Limestone County, Texas, on the 16th day of January, A. D. 1924, by Johnson Wakefield, Clerk of said District Court, in the case of J. W. Hinchliffe and W. W. Hinchliffe vs. Mexia Red Seal Syndicate and A. S. Hatch, No. 4035-B, and to me, as sheriff, directed and delivered, I will proceed to sell, within the hours prescribed by law for sheriff's sales on Thursday, the 31st day of January, A. D. 1924, at the Court House door in the town of Groesbeck, Limestone County, Texas, the following described property ,to-wit:

1 wooden derrick; 3500 feet 6⅝-inch Youngstown casing, wt. 24 lbs., Long Collar, and also 1 Complete Standard Oil Well rig, including all sills, belt house, engine house, timbers, ropes, etc., belonging to said well and rig, and being all the property used in connection with the drilling of a certain well known as the Red Seal Well about 8 miles South of Mexia, in Limestone County, Texas, on the land now owned by Roscoe Cook, and it being the same casing heretofore conveyed by the Continental Supply Company to A. S. Hatch trustee for the Mexia Red Seal Syndicate by Bill of Sale dated August 12, 1922, and which casing is now located in said Red Seal well, levied on as the property of Mexia Red Seal Syndicate and A. S. Hatch, to satisfy a judgement amounting to Four Hundred Eighteen and 42-100 Dollars ($418.42) in favor of J. W. Hinchliffe and W. W. Hinchliffe, jointly, and the further sum of Three Hundred Sixty-Three and 44-100 Dollars ($363.44) in favor of Roscoe Cook, and the further sum of Three Hundred Two and 77-100 Dollars ($302.77) in favor of J. W. Hinchliffe, and the further sum of Three Hundred Two and 77-100 Dollars ($302.77) in favor of W. W. Hinchliffe, and the further sum of One Hundred Eighty One and 72-100 Dollars ($181.72) in favor of Charlie Hinchliffe, and the further sum of One Hundred Twenty One and 16-100 Dollars ($121.16) in favor of R. E. Hinchliffe, and the further sum of Two Hundred Ten and 00-100 Dollars ($210.00) in favor of J. W. Hinchliffe and W. W. Hinchliffe, jointly, and all costs of suit.

Given under my hand this the 18th day of January, A. D. 1924.

WHIT POPEJOY, Sheriff,
Limestone County, Tex.
By N. P. HARRIS, Deputy.
21-28

THE STATE OF TEXAS:

To the Sheriff or any Constable of Limestone County—GREETING:

You are hereby commanded to summon C. A. Riley by making publication of this citation once in each week for four consecutive weeks previous to the return to me hereof, in some newspaper published in your county, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not, then in the nearest county where a newspaper is published, to appear at the next regular term of the Justice Court in and for Precinct No. 4, of Limestone County, Texas, to be holden in the Court House thereof at Mexia on the second Tuesday in March, A. D. 1924, the same being the 11th day of March, A. D. 1924, then and there to answer a petition filed in said court on the 15th day of January, A. D. 1924, in a suit numbered on the docket of said court No. 828 wherein A. L. Griffin is plaintiff and C. A. Riley is defendant, said petition alleging that plaintiff, at the special instance and request of defendant, performed certain labor for him at the agreed price of Ten Dollars ($10.00) per month, and that said services were performed under said contract for a period of four months at the total agreed price of Forty Dollars ($40.00) for which plaintiff sues defendant, and for Twenty Dollars ($20.00) additional as attorney's fees incurred by plaintiff in the prosecution of this suit.

Herein fail not, but have you before said court on the said 1st day of the said March term of said court this writ with your return thereon showing how you have executed the same.

Given under my hand this the 15th day of January, A. D. 1924.

O. KENNEDY,
Justice of Peace,
Precinct No. 4,
Limestone County.

Issued this the 15th day of January, A. D. 1924.

O. KENNEDY,
Justice of Peace,
Precinct No. 4,
Limestone County, Tex.
16-23-30-6

INCOME TAX IN NUTSHELL

WHO?—Single persons who had net income of $1,000 or more or gross income of $5,000 or more, and married couples who had net income of $1,000 or more or gross income of $5,000 or more, and married couples who had net in come of $2,000 or more or gross income of $5,000 or more must file returns.

WHEN?—The filing period is from January 1 to March 15, 1924.

WHERE?—Collector of internal revenue for the district in which the person lives or has his principal place of business.

HOW?—Instructions on Form 1040-A and Form 1040; also the law and regulations.

WHAT?—Four per cent normal tax on the first $4,000 of net income in excess of the personal exemption and credits for dependents. Eight per cent normal tax on balance of net income. Surtax from 1 per cent to 50 per cent on net incomes over $6,000 for the year 1923.

NOTICE OF DISSOLUTION

Notice is hereby given that the copartnership heretofore existing between O. Y. Manning and J. P. Dunaway, in Mexia, Limestone County, Texas, was by mutual consent, dissolved as of date December 19th, 1923.

By the terms of said dissolution, J. P. Dunaway became and now is sole owner and proprietor of the Kaufman Street Grocery, and all accounts due said Kaufman Street Grocery are payable to him.

O. Y. Manning likewise becomes sole owner and Proprietor of the Model Grocery, and all accounts due same are payable to the said O. Y. Manning.

By the terms of dissolution and settlement as mutually agreed upon, O. Y. Manning assumes and becomes liable for the payment of all debts due by both the Kaufman Street Grocery and the Model Grocery as of date of December 19, 1923, since which time all debts contracted or obligations assumed by the Kaufman Street Grocery or the Model Grocery, are payable by J. P. Duaway and O. Y. Manning respectively.

Witness our hands, this the 12th day of January, 1924.

O. Y. Manning.
J. P. Dunaway. 13-10

CANDIDATES Announcements 1924 ELECTIONS

LIMESTONE COUNTY

For District Clerk—
ELLIS DICKERSON.
M. A. AINSWORTH.
For County Judge—
H. F. KIRBY (Re-election sought)
JOHNSON WAKEFIELD
For County Tax Assessor—
TOM M. CAIN
R. W. STEEN
A. A. HYDEN.
For Tax Collector—
W. A. ROBBINS. (re-election.)
For County Treasurer—
H. C. FITZGERALD.

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North bound—

345	From cut-off	1:47 p. m.
15	Dallas Ft. Worth	3:44 p. m
31	Dallas Ft. Worth	12:50 p. m.
37	Dallas Ft. Worth	5:14 a. m.
17	Dallas Ft. Worth	4:35 a. m.
19	Dallas Ft. Worth	3:55 a. m.

South bound—

346	To cut-off	7:00 a. m.
16	Houston San Antonio	11:45 a. m.
32	From Dallas	10:08 a. m.
38	Austin San nAtonio	12:21 a. m.
18	Houston San Antonio	1:37 a. m.
20	Houston San Antonio	12:16 a. m.

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No. 8—3:25 p. m.
South.
No. 7—12:55 p. m.

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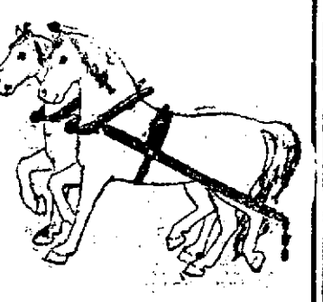
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LYNCH DAVIDSON'S OLD HOME SCHOOL IN COUNTY FIRE SWEPT

GROESBECK, Texas, Jan. 25.—Central institute, the little country school where Lynch Davidson of Houston, candidate for governor, received his early education, is no more. Fire of unknown origin destroyed the building and its contents.

At the time Mr. Davidson attended this school it was a military academy, and the most pretentious institution of learning in the whole countryside. The building was located on the Neal Davidson homestead and it was here that the present candidate developed into a sturdy youngster with ruddy health and military carriage. Here he learned military drill, carried rails for punishment, and began his education.

But the first school attended by one of Limestone's most illustrious sons is no more.

Chief of Bureau Of Public Roads Says Something

Every town of 5,000 population and many smaller communities, reaching 85 to 90 per cent of the country population, will be directly served by the federal aid system of highways now being developed, according to T. H. MacDonald, chief of the United States bureau of public roads.

Mr. MacDonald brought out the fact that the road system is being planned by state and government officials on an earning capacity basis. Highways are being constructed of such surfaces and in such locations as will render an economic value equal to or exceeding the investment required.

He also noted that 40 per cent of our billion dollar expenditure each year for roads is being devoted to the major or federal aid system, and that 60 per cent is being paid out for local feeder routes.

The total amount collected from motor vehicles by the federal government since the starting of the federal aid program in 1917 has amounted to $589,000,000, while the federal aid road expenditure has been $264,000,000. Thus, Mr. MacDonald pointed out, as far as the major or federal aid system, including the money paid by the states, is concerned the amount taken from general taxation is negligible, and the roads are a permanent asset to the community.

Only Half Of Us Burn Gas

Of the 131,000 places in the United States only 3,885 cities and towns are supplied with gas, according to the Marketing Division of the International Magazine Company. These 3,885 communities however, contain 50 per cent of the total population.

The research work of this Division is done for the benefit of manufacturers and distributors mainly to aid the proper distribution of manufactured products.

"If the manufacturers of a supply for gas consumers does not know the above stated facts," said the head of the Marketing Division, "he might send his salesmen and his advertising literature to thousands of communities where he would necessarily waste his efforts because there is no gas in these communities.

"The same condition exists in practically all other lines of business and waste of distribution is one of the important reasons why consumer cost is so high."

Continued increase in taxation discourages industrial expansion and employment of labor. The time is here when our tax bill should be gradually reduced. To bring this about the people must register approval of men and measures favoring economy and business administration of public affairs.

J. R. Mooty and Miss Cynthia Johnson of La Salle were married in the Justice of Peace office in Mexia last Thursday afternoon. The ceremony was performed by Justice Osburne Kennedy.

For Saturday.—Carnations $2.00 per dozen. McSwane Flower Shop.

Stole His Wages And Was Fined

A young negro, charged with stealing twenty dollars from another negro, was brought into Judge Kennedy's court Thursday afternoon and fined on his own confession. The negro stated that he had worked for the negro from whom the money was stolen and had not been paid for a year's labor. When he found a pocketbook of the negro in the yard he decided he would get even and appropriate an amount of the money it contained. He stated that the pocketbook had something over $80 in it.

Captured Clothes Thief Confessed

Mexia officers arrested a man Tuesday charged with stealing. An examining trial was held in Judge Kennedy's court after which the accused was taken to Groesbeck.

According to the officers the man stole about $125.00 worth of clothes from some companions in the oil fields in this locality. He was discovered on an H. & T. C. freight train by a brakeman and given over to the officers here. It is said that he hid the clothes at Hearne and that he was taken there, after being identified by persons from whom the clothes were stolen, and made to reveal the place where he had hid them. The officers stated that the man made a complete confession.

AT THE OPERA HOUSE

(Press Notice)

The Diamond Revue continues to draw a good crowd at the Opera House each night with their splendid company of comedy artists.

Today the play will be "Fair and Warmer," a famous Broadway success of recent years.

Saturday the last day of the engagement the program will be "The Country Boy," which promises to be one of the best plays put on by this company.

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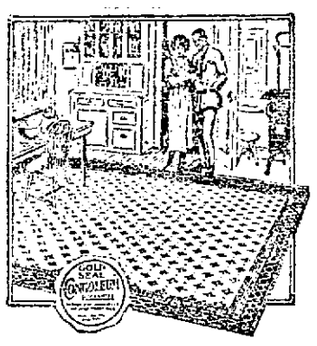

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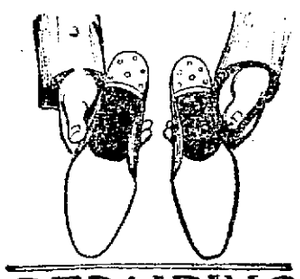

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REBECCAS PLAN BOX SUPPER AT THE HALL TONIGHT

Mrs. G. W. Hopson, Noble Grand of the Rebecca lodge of this city, states that the Rebeccas will hold a box supper at the hall tonight, beginning at 8:30. To this event the public is invited most cordially.

Mrs. Hopson states that it was not the intention of the Rebeccas to interfere with the Delphian's affair at the High School, but that arrangements had been made for the affair tonight before it was known that the same date had been selected by the Delphians and the situation could not be changed at present, since all preparations have been made.

A large attendance is expected and a very delightful social affair is assured.

Prior to the Box supper, about 7:15 a business session is planned, to which the members are invited, while everyone is invited to attend the box supper.

DELPHIANS WILL BE IN CHARGE WHEN HOME IS OPENED

The News has made arrangements with the Delphian Club to take charge and demonstrate the J. K. Hughes Model home. The $20.00 The News offered will be spent for books The ladies will have entire charge of this demonstration and display this model home as they see fit. The model home is now complete with one exception. The cement work, which will be completed as rapidly as possible. You will see the announcement of the opening in The Mexia Daily News, showing the cost. The contractors who the lumber was purchased from, who the light fixtures were purchased from, who the wall paper was purchased from, who did the painting and plumbing, who dressed the floors and did the cement work, and also calling attention to the cooperation in furnishing extended by the John R. Corley and J. I. Riddle Furniture companies.

BENTONVILLE, Ark.—Professing a fondness for "flappers" Allen Poe, 81 years old, made Viola Pollock, 32, his fourth wife.

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Fred Karner and Ben F. Stollenwerck returned Thursday from Dallas.

C. E. Mann of Beaumont was in the Wednesday.

Too Late to Classify

For Saturday.—Carnations $2.00 per dozen. McSwane Flower Shop.

WANTED—Boys to carry paper route. Earn good pay. Liberal commissions. Must be able to read, write and talk. See E. J. Ormsby, Pioneer News Stand. 23A3

FOR RENT—Two room furnished garage apartment on North Ross; water, lights, and gas; priced reasonably. Telephone or see J. M. Lamberth, 700 South McKinney, either No. 533 or 650-J. 23L3

FOR SALE—New desk and chair. See C. W. Killough, 202 East Smith. Phone 623-J. 21J3

AN INTELLIGENT PERSON, either sex, may earn $100 to $200 monthly corresponding for newspapers; $15 to $25 weekly in spare time; experience unnecessary; no canvassing; subjects suggested. Send for particulars. National Press Bureau, Buffalo, N. Y. 3A3

FOR EXCHANGE—Modern five room residence in Waco, worth $5,000 to exchange for a home in Mexia of about equal value. T. S. Whiteley & Co., 503½ Austin Avenue, Waco, Texas. 23F7

WANTED—Three room apartment, furnished or unfurnished, close in, modern. Answer care News, Box 21. 24L4

MADAME ELIZABETH, Phrenologist. Special readings by appointment, during the day from 9 to 11 a. m. and 1 to 5 p. m. for the next 10 days. 514 East Palestine street. Room 12. 25A7

WANTED—To sell you a piano or player with a ten point motor. Will save you $50.00 to $150.00. Fully guaranteed. Pianos tuned and repaired. Hall Music Company, next door Daily News. (Reference any bank in Texas.) 25E2

FOR RENT—Two furnished rooms, 1012 South McKinney, also two furnished rooms 1017 South McKinney. Phone 145-W or can see me at 1012 or 1017 South McKinney. 25L3

LOST—Black leather hand bag containing ladies clothes and electric hair curler. Finder notify P. O. Box 522 and receive reward. 25D2

FOR SALE—One share of Fish Tank stock. Can see Mrs. Anderson at the Millinery Store in City National Bank building. Chas. Anderson. 25J3

LOST—Baby cap on Commerce or Main street. Liberal reward offered. American Dry Cleaners. 25D1

FOR RENT—Five room house, close in with all conveniences, with or without garage, corner Bowie and Bonham. C. Felz, 4073 Bowie. Phone 343 25K4

FOR SALE—Pianos. $50.00 to $150.00 saved if you buy a piano or player piano in the next ten days. Hall Music Company, next door Mexia Daily News. (Reference any bank in Texas.) 25J2

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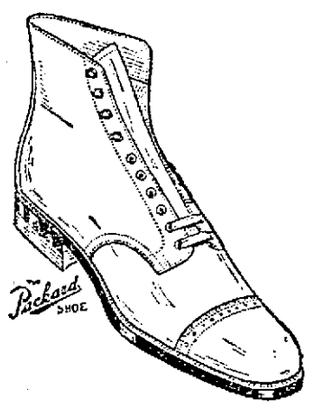

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